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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS IS NOW IN SESSION. I WOULD ASK EVERYONE TO PLEASE
5 RISE FOR THE INVOCATION AND FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. THE
6 INVOCATION IS GOING TO BE LED BY RABBI ISAAC JERET OF
7 CONGREGATION NER TAMID OF THE SOUTH BAY IN RANCHO PALOS VERDES
8 AND THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY HY ARNESTY,
9 COMMANDER OF POST NO. 113 OF THE HOLLYWOOD JEWISH WAR VETERANS
10 OF THE UNITED STATES. RABBI JERET?

11

12 **RABBI ISAAC JERET:** GOOD MORNING. GOD, CREATOR OF ALL HUMANITY,
13 CHAMPION OF ALL SAMENESS AND DIFFERENCE, WE CALL UPON YOU THIS
14 DAY. WE CALL UPON YOU TO BLESS OUR COUNTRY AND ITS CITIZENS,
15 OUR STATE AND ITS CITIZENS AND OUR COUNTY AND ITS CITIZENS,
16 FOR YOU HAVE LOOKED KINDLY UPON US AND WE PRAY THAT YOUR
17 BLESSINGS NEVER CEASE. INDEED, YOU HAVE BLESSED US ALL TO LIVE
18 IN THE AGE AND UNDER THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE UNITED STATES OF
19 AMERICA, HUMANITY'S GREATEST EXPERIMENT IN THE HUMAN ENDEAVOR
20 TO FREE OURSELVES FROM OPPRESSION AND TO RELEASE ALL DIVINE
21 SPIRIT WITHIN HUMANITY FROM THE SHACKLES OF TYRANNY. GRANT US
22 EVER MORE THE BLESSINGS OF CURIOSITY AND CREATIVITY, TO LEARN
23 ABOUT THE DIVERSITY THAT YOU HAVE CREATED AMONG US, TO
24 UNDERSTAND ONE ANOTHER AND TO WORK TOGETHER TO SOLVE THE
25 PROBLEMS OF OUR DAY, WHETHER THEY BE LOCAL OR FAR FROM OUR



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1 SHORES. INSPIRE WITHIN THIS BODY AND WITHIN EACH BODY CONVENED
2 TO CONDUCT THE AFFAIRS OF OR WITHIN THIS GREAT NATION PROFOUND
3 GRATITUDE FOR THE BLESSINGS THAT WE SHARE. GRANT THEM AND ALL
4 OF THOSE WHOM THEY REPRESENT STRENGTH AND COURAGE TO
5 DISTINGUISH BETWEEN FREEDOM AND ANARCHY, TO RECOGNIZE
6 FREEDOM'S BLESSINGS AS A MEANS TO GREAT ENDS AND ITS
7 DEVASTATING CONSEQUENCE AS AN UNMITIGATED END UNTO ITSELF.
8 GRANT OUR LEADERSHIP AND REPRESENTATIVES CLARITY AND WISDOM TO
9 RESPECT THE DIGNITY AND TO SERVE THE DIRE NECESSITY OF THOSE
10 WHO SEEK REFUGE UPON THE SOIL OF THIS GREAT LAND, AS SO MANY
11 OF US AND OUR FORBEARERS ONCE DID SO, WHILE AT THE SAME TIME
12 RESISTING AND STEADFASTLY BARRING ANY ENTRY TO THOSE WHO SEEK
13 CYNICALLY TO USE OUR FREEDOMS TO DESTROY LIBERTY ITSELF. BLESS
14 OUR TROOPS, GUARDIANS OF THE HOME FRONT, AS THEY PROTECT US IN
15 FAR AWAY PLACES AT THIS TIME OF WAR. HAND THEM VICTORY WITH
16 MINIMAL COST, FOR THEIR CAUSE IS JUST. AND YOU, GOD, ARE A GOD
17 WHO LOVES JUSTICE AND CHAMPIONS THOSE WHO SEEK IT BESIDE YOU.
18 BLESS US, BLESS THIS GREAT NATION ALWAYS WITH PEACE, AMEN.

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20 **HY ARNESTY:** PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART AND REPEAT
21 AFTER ME. "I PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED
22 STATES OF AMERICA AND TO THE REPUBLIC FOR WHICH IT STANDS, ONE
23 NATION, UNDER GOD, INDIVISIBLE, WITH LIBERTY AND JUSTICE FOR
24 ALL. "

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1 **HY ARNESTY:** THANK YOU.

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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5 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

6 IT'S MY PLEASURE TO WELCOME RABBI ISAAC JERET OF THE

7 CONGREGATION NER TAMID IN SOUTH BAY, WHICH IS LOCATED IN

8 RANCHO PALOS VERDES. FROM CHILDHOOD UNTIL THE PRESENT, HE HAS

9 SERVED AS A STUDENT TEACHER, CANTOR, RABBI, COMMUNAL LEADER IN

10 EACH OF THE MAJOR BRANCHES OF CONTEMPORARY JUDAISM. THIS YEAR,

11 RABBI JERET CELEBRATES HIS TENTH YEAR OF SERVICE. HE FIRST

12 SERVED THE CONGREGATION BETH ARAM IN VERONA, NEW JERSEY, AT

13 TEMPLE EMMANUEL IN PALM BEACH, FLORIDA. HE HAS ENERGIZED ONE

14 OF THE MOST CONSERVATIVE MOVEMENTS OF FLAGSHIPS SYNAGOGUES

15 AND, IN 2003, RECEIVED A VERY PRESTIGIOUS RABBINIC SERVICE

16 AWARD FROM THE UNITED JEWISH COMMUNITIES. ON BEHALF OF MY

17 COLLEAGUES, JUST A PLEASURE, WE APPRECIATE HIM TAKING THE TIME

18 OUT OF HIS VERY BUSY SCHEDULE TO JOIN US. WE WANT TO SAY THANK

19 YOU AND GOD SPEED.

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21 **RABBI ISAAC JERET:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE WERE LED IN THE PLEDGE OF

24 ALLEGIANCE THIS MORNING BY HY ARNESTY. HE IS NO STRANGER TO

25 THE BOARD MEETINGS. HY IS REPRESENTING HOLLYWOOD POST NO. 113,



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1 THE JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES, WHERE HE IS THE
2 CO-CHAPLAIN AND TEMPLE LIAISON. HE IS A RECIPIENT OF THE TOY
3 INDUSTRY HALL OF FAME AWARD. HE'S IN THE FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL
4 HALL OF FAME, ALONG WITH ME.

5

6 **HY ARNESTY:** THAT'S RIGHT.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT YOU EARNED IT. I'M JUST EX-
9 OFFICIO. AND HE SERVED AS A MASTER SERGEANT FROM 1943 TO '46,
10 LEFT THE UNITED STATES ARMY AS A MASTER SERGEANT AFTER SERVING
11 FROM '43 TO '46 IN THE 25TH INFANTRY DIVISION IN THE PACIFIC
12 THEATER. WAS ENGAGED IN THE INVASION OF THE PHILIPPINES AND
13 THE OCCUPATION OF JAPAN. HE RECEIVED THE BRONZE STAR MEDAL,
14 THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL AND A NUMBER OF OTHERS, A NUMBER OF
15 OTHER MEDALS AND RIBBONS AS A RESULT OF HIS SERVICE TO OUR
16 COUNTRY. HY IS A 73-YEAR RESIDENT OF OUR DISTRICT AND A
17 GRADUATE OF FAIRFAX HIGH SCHOOL. AND, HY, THANK YOU AGAIN FOR
18 LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE AND FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY
19 AND OUR COMMUNITY. [APPLAUSE]

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. READY FOR THE AGENDA?

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23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
24 BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN TODAY'S AGENDA ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE



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1 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D
2 THROUGH 3- D.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVES, KNABE
5 SECONDS, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING
8 AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES, BURKE SECONDS,
11 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK
14 AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-P.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BURKE MOVES, KNABE SECONDS,
17 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 16. ON
20 ITEM NUMBER 8, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
21 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 21ST, 2007.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT'LL BE THE
24 ORDER.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 9, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS
2 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 15, THIS ALSO INCLUDES THE REVISED
7 LANGUAGE THAT WAS INCLUDED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND
8 ITEM 15, ALONG WITH THE OTHERS, ARE BEFORE YOU.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MS. BURKE MOVES,
11 SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDS, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS 17 THROUGH 42. ON
14 ITEM NUMBER 22, THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT
15 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 21ST, 2007.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT'LL BE THE
18 ORDER.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 25, SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS THAT
21 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 21ST, 2007.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT'LL BE THE
24 ORDER.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 31, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
2 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM 32, AS INDICATED ON
3 THE POSTED AGENDA, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT
4 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO AUGUST 21ST, 2007.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT'LL BE THE
7 ORDER.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 37, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS
10 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HIS DEPARTMENT.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT'LL BE THE
13 ORDER.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND I BELIEVE THAT THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE
16 BEFORE YOU.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. ON THE REMAINING ITEMS,
19 KNABE MOVES, MOLINA SECONDS, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE'RE NOW ON PAGE 18, ORDINANCE FOR
22 INTRODUCTION AND I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD.
23 THIS IS AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION OF THE
24 LOS ANGELES COUNTY CODE RELATING TO THE LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS
25 ENTERPRISE PREFERENCE PROGRAM.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOLINA MOVES, KNABE SECONDS,
3 UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEMS 44 AND 45, WE'LL HOLD FOR
6 A REPORT. MISCELLANEOUS, ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE
7 POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING, AS
8 INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM 46-A, SUPERVISOR
9 BURKE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE.
10 AND, IN ADDITION, THERE IS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC THAT WOULD
11 LIKE TO HOLD THIS ITEM.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO WANTS TO HOLD?

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DR. CLAVREUL.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WE'LL HOLD IT AND THEN WE'LL
18 CONTINUE IT.

19

20 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IT'S BEING REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY, OKAY.

23

24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 46-B, SUPERVISOR BURKE REQUESTS
25 THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO AUGUST 28TH, 2007. ON



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1 ITEM 46-C, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
2 HELD. ON ITEM 46-D, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY REQUESTS THAT THIS
3 ITEM BE HELD. AND, ON NOTICES OF CLOSED SESSION, ITEM C.S.-3,
4 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
5 ITEM. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF
6 SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
7 NO. 1.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. HOW MANY PEOPLE DO WE HAVE
10 WHO WANT TO BE HEARD ON THE C.S.-3? BEFORE WE GO TO THE
11 PRESENTATIONS, DR. CLAVREUL, DO YOU WANT TO SPEAK TO C.S.-3?
12 WE MAY TAKE THAT UP EARLY. MS. BURKE NEEDS TO LEAVE. YOU THINK
13 YOU'LL BE OKAY? WE'LL HEAR FROM HER, ANYWAY. SHE'S HERE. WHILE
14 YOU'RE HERE, YOU CAN SPEAK TO THE OTHER ONE IF YOU'D LIKE TO.
15 COME ON. COME ON UP.

16

17 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
18 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO C.S.-3 AND 44
19 AFTER THE REPORT. THERE'S A REPORT ON 44.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 46-A IS THE ONE THAT YOU REQUESTED TO SPEAK
22 ON AND THAT'S BEING REFERRED BACK TO SUPERVISOR BURKE.

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24 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** YES. I WILL SPEAK TO THIS ONE NOW. ON-
25 - I WAS KIND OF SURPRISED. FIRST OF ALL, PASADENA IS NOT UNDER



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1 YOUR JURISDICTION, SUPERVISOR BURKE. WE ARE A CITY AND NOT AN
2 UNINCORPORATED AREA AND I SEE YOU'RE MEDDLING IN PASADENA
3 AFFAIRS. IT'S RATHER INAPPROPRIATE. AND TRYING TO PUSH EFFORT
4 TO UNIONIZE THE RITZ-CARLTON IS APPALLING. I MEAN, YOU ARE
5 USED TO BEING A CARPETBAGGAR AND NOT LIVE IN YOUR DISTRICT,
6 BUT DON'T COME AND FOOL WITH OUR DISTRICT. AND IF ANYBODY HAS
7 TO SAY SOMETHING ABOUT PASADENA, WHICH IS A PRIVATE CITY, YOU
8 DON'T. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, IT'S IN HIS DISTRICT. SO KEEP
9 YOUR HANDS OFF PASADENA...

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** ALL RIGHT, BUT, SEE, LACERA IS-- THAT OWNS THE
12 PROPERTY IS OWNED BY ALL OF OUR COUNTY RETIREES AND ALL OF US
13 CONTRIBUTE TO THAT RETIREMENT FUND AND WE ARE THE OWNER OF
14 THAT PROPERTY. THAT LACERA IS OWNER. SO IT DIRECTLY AFFECTS
15 EACH COUNTY EMPLOYEE'S INTEREST.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID YOU WANT TO SPEAK TO C.S.-3?

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19 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** I WILL SPEAK IT AFTER...

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, NO. SPEAK TO IT NOW BECAUSE WE
22 MAY GO INTO CLOSED SESSION VERY QUICKLY. THERE IS NOT GOING TO
23 BE A REPORT ON C.S.-3 PUBLICLY.

24

25 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** ON 44?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** C.S.-3.

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4 **DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL:** OKAY. WELL, IT'S KIND OF A MOOT POINT
5 RIGHT NOW SINCE ACCREDITATION HAS BEEN REMOVED AND THE MONEY
6 HAS BEEN REMOVED BUT I HOPE YOU SURELY DO DUE DILIGENCE TO
7 KNOW WHAT IS GOING ON IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. ON ITEM 46-
10 A, MS. BURKE ASKED THIS MATTER BE REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE,
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT'LL BE THE ORDER. PUBLIC HEARING ON
12 C.S.-3 IS CLOSED. NOW WE'LL GO TO THE PRESENTATIONS. I HAVE
13 ONE INITIAL PRESENTATION TO A NEW CONSUL GENERAL. WE ARE VERY
14 HONORED TO HAVE WITH US THIS MORNING AND PRIVILEGED TO
15 INTRODUCE THE HONORABLE JALIYA WICKRAMASURIYA, CONSUL GENERAL
16 OF SRI LANKA. CONSUL GENERAL WICKRAMASURIYA WAS A TOP BUSINESS
17 EXECUTIVE BEFORE JOINING THE SRI LANKAN GOVERNMENT UNDER A NEW
18 POLICY TO SHARE THE TALENTS AND EXPERTISE OF THE PRIVATE
19 SECTOR WITH THE FOREIGN SERVICE. HE WAS A CHIEF EXECUTIVE
20 OFFICER OF SALON ROYALTY IN SRI LANKA. AND THE UNITED STATES,
21 AS WELL, AND LED IT TO WINNING SEVERAL TOP AWARDS FOR
22 INTERNATIONAL QUALITY. HE HAS ALSO REPRESENTED SRI LANKA IN
23 MORE THAN 40 COUNTRIES, HELPING TO PROMOTE THE EXPORT
24 INDUSTRY. HE IS HIGHLY RESPECTED AS A SPECIALIST IN
25 INTERNATIONAL MARKETING, BRAND PROMOTION, RESEARCH AND



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1 DEVELOPMENT, AS WELL AS QUALITY MANAGEMENT. BEFORE HIS
2 APPOINTMENT AS CONSUL GENERAL IN LOS ANGELES, HE WAS BASED IN
3 ATLANTA, GEORGIA, WITH SALON ROYALTY. HE NOW RESIDES IN LOS
4 ANGELES WITH HIS WIFE, PRIANGA, AND TWO CHILDREN, AGES 14 AND
5 11. CONSUL GENERAL, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
6 THE MORE THAN 10 MILLION PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY WHO
7 RESIDE HERE, I'M DELIGHTED TO WELCOME YOU TO LOS ANGELES. WE
8 LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO INCREASE THE UNDERSTANDING
9 AND COOPERATION BETWEEN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND ITS PEOPLE AND
10 THE PEOPLE OF SRI LANKA AND WE WANT TO PRESENT YOU WITH THIS
11 PLAQUE. AND MY COLLEAGUES, IF THEY'LL JOIN ME, PRESENT YOU
12 WITH THIS PLAQUE THAT REPRESENTS OUR TOKEN OF WELCOME TO YOU
13 HERE AND WISH YOU A VERY SUCCESSFUL POSTING HERE IN LOS
14 ANGELES. SAY A FEW WORDS AND THEN WE'LL TAKE A PICTURE. [
15 APPLAUSE]

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17 **THE HONORABLE JALIYA WICKRAMASURIYA:** THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN.
18 DEPUTY CHIEF OF PROTOCOL, ESTEEMED BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, THANK
19 YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR WARM WELCOME TO LOS ANGELES AND FOR
20 THIS WONDERFUL PLAQUE. IT IS AN HONOR TO REPRESENT THE
21 GOVERNMENT OF SRI LANKA IN THE WESTERN STATES OF AMERICA AND
22 TO BE HERE IN LOS ANGELES. I HAVE FOUND A LITTLE BIT VIBRANT,
23 EXCITING CITY FILLED WITH OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLABORATION
24 BETWEEN OUR TWO COUNTRIES. THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE U.S.
25 AND SRI LANKA IS A SPECIAL ONE. I GREATLY APPRECIATE THE



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1 SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF PROTOCOL IN MY
2 MISSION HERE. SRI LANKA IS VERY THANKFUL TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
3 UNITED STATES FOR ALL THEY DO TO FIGHT TERRORISM, WHICH HAS
4 BECOME AN INTERNATIONAL THREAT FOR ALL OF US. WE HAVE BEEN
5 WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH THIS OFFICE AND LOOK FORWARD TO MANY
6 MORE MUTUAL PROJECTS. I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE ALL OF YOU TO
7 VISIT SRI LANKA SO YOU CAN EXPERIENCE FIRSTHAND THE VAST
8 BEAUTY AND THE CULTURE FOUND ON OUR ISLAND PARADISE. THANK YOU
9 VERY MUCH. AND HAVE A GREAT DAY. [APPLAUSE]

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MIKE? CEYLON TEA, FROM-- THERE'S
12 ONE PRODUCT I THINK IS NOT TOO DIFFICULT TO BRAND AND THAT'S
13 CEYLON TEA. 200 YEARS OF BRANDING BEFORE US. THANK YOU, CONSUL
14 GENERAL, APPRECIATE IT VERY MUCH. WHO'S UP FIRST? I THINK,
15 SUPERVISOR BURKE, YOU ARE NEXT.

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17 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD TANYA WALTERS. THIS IS
18 HEAVY, TOO. TANYA WALTERS IS THE FOUNDER OF THE GODPARENTS
19 YOUTH ORGANIZATION AND SHE WAS RECENTLY RECOGNIZED BY C.B.S.
20 EARLY SHOW AND "PEOPLE" MAGAZINE AS PART OF THEIR HEROES AMONG
21 US FOR HER STEADY COMMITMENT OF INSPIRING TEEN YOUTH. SHE'S A
22 BUS DRIVER FOR THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND
23 FOUNDED HER ORGANIZATION IN 2002. SHE HELPS YOUTH FIND THEIR
24 WAY BY SHOWING THEM THE WORLD BY BUS. SHE TAKES THEM ON CROSS-
25 COUNTRY MENTORING TRIPS TO LET THEM SEE ALL THE NATURAL



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1 WONDERS OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO SEE ALL OF THE THINGS OUR
2 COUNTRY HAS TO OFFER. SHE AND OTHER BUS DRIVERS WHO SHARE THIS
3 VISION, ALONG WITH 22 TEENS WHO RARELY LEAVE THEIR L.A.
4 NEIGHBORHOODS, TAKE THESE ROAD TRIPS TO PLACES SUCH AS THE
5 GRAND CANYON, BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA, WASHINGTON, D.C. AND
6 NIAGARA FALLS. WHILE VISITING VARIOUS STATES, THE TEENS ARE
7 ALSO ABLE TO GET THE VALUABLE EXPERIENCE OF BEING ABLE TO
8 VISIT COLLEGES. THEY VISIT PROMINENT SCHOOLS LIKE CLARK,
9 ATLANTA UNIVERSITY AND MOREHOUSE. HER WORK IS NEVER DONE AS
10 SHE MAKES PLANS FOR THE NEXT TRIP TO VISIT HURRICANE KATRINA
11 VICTIMS AND COLLEGES IN LOUISIANA, TEXAS AND ARIZONA, SHE
12 CONTINUES TO RAISE MONEY NEEDED BY HER NONPROFIT TO FUND THE
13 UPCOMING TRIPS. SHE STRONGLY BELIEVES THAT, BY GIVING THESE
14 YOUTH AN OPPORTUNITY, BIRTHING A DREAM IN THEM, SHE'S
15 INVESTING IN THE FUTURE. AND WHAT SHE'S DOING IS MAKING A
16 TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTION TO THE FUTURE OF THESE YOUNG PEOPLE,
17 NOT ONLY A CHANCE TO SEE THE UNITED STATES, BUT ALSO TO SEE
18 THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR EDUCATION. SO I COMMEND HER AND WE WANT
19 TO SAY TO HER THAT SHE IS CERTAINLY ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING AND
20 DEDICATED PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND WE COMMEND HER FOR
21 ALL OF HER HARD WORK. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **TANYA WALTERS:** GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS TANYA WALTERS. THANK
24 YOU, SUPERVISOR BURKE AND STAFF, FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN HONORING
25 US IN OUR TREMENDOUS ENDEAVORS TO GIVE BACK TO THE COMMUNITY.



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1 ONE THING THAT YOU FORGOT TO MENTION, AND I WOULD LIKE TO
2 BRING UP, WE ALSO GIVE. AND, FROM DECEMBER THE 26TH TO TODAY,
3 WE HAVE GIVEN OUT 1,000 BACKPACKS TO OVER 1,000 YOUTH ACROSS
4 COUNTRY. AND, IN THAT, WE ARE CHANGING LIVES. SO, WHEN YOU
5 READ ABOUT US, LOOK UP OUR WEBSITE AT
6 GODPARENTSYOUTHORGANIZATION.COM AND CONTINUE TO GIVE TO A
7 ORGANIZATION THAT IS GIVING BACK. MY TEAM ARE FELLOW BUS
8 DRIVERS AND THE STAFF FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FIRE
9 DEPARTMENT BY THE NAME OF DAMIEN SPENCER, KATHY BOWDEN-TATE,
10 CYRIL COOPER, JOHN LEWIS AND SOUL WASHINGTON. AND WE HAVE COME
11 TOGETHER AND, IN OUR ENDEAVOR TO GIVE BACK, WE ARE CHANGING
12 LIVES WITHIN THE EIGHT MONTHS. SO WE THANK YOU, WE THANK YOU,
13 SUPERVISOR BURKE, FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND STAFF. THANK YOU,
14 EVERYBODY.

15

16 **SUP. BURKE:** WELL, CONGRATULATIONS. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK. [
17 APPLAUSE]

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19 **SUP. BURKE:** THAT CONCLUDES MY PRESENTATIONS.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I HAVE THE PRIVILEGE OF
22 MAKING THE NEXT PRESENTATION TO A NUMBER OF PEOPLE, INCLUDING
23 NORTHRIDGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER, AND A NUMBER OF THE
24 SCHOOLS ASSOCIATED WITH L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THAT
25 WILL BECOME CLEAR IN A SECOND. I WANT TO RECOGNIZE NORTHRIDGE



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1 HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER AND 12 SAN FERNANDO VALLEY SCHOOLS
2 THIS MORNING FOR THE PILOT WELLNESS PROJECT THEY STARTED TWO
3 YEARS AGO TO REDUCE THE INCIDENCE OF OBESITY SCHOOL WIDE,
4 STUDENTS, PARENTS AND STAFF, AND TO CURB THE ONSET OF DIABETES
5 AND OTHER OBESITY-RELATED ILLNESSES BY EMPHASIZING PROPER
6 NUTRITION AND PHYSICAL FITNESS. CHILDHOOD OBESITY HAS REACHED
7 EPIDEMIC PROPORTIONS, AS I THINK WE ALL KNOW ON THIS BOARD,
8 WITH RATES TRIPLING AMONG MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL
9 STUDENTS, 40 PERCENT OF THE CHILDREN REPORTED AS UNFIT AND
10 WITH MEDICAL CONSEQUENCES OF OBESITY THAT INCLUDE TYPE 2
11 DIABETES, HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE, HIGH CHOLESTEROL AND ORTHOPEDIC
12 PROBLEMS. IN 2005, NORTHRIDGE HOSPITAL, A NONPROFIT COMMUNITY
13 HOSPITAL PARTNER WITH L.A.U.S.D., THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL
14 DISTRICT, TO ADDRESS THIS GROWING EPIDEMIC BY FINANCING AND
15 DEVELOPING A SCHOOL-BASED OBESITY AND DIABETES INITIATIVE, AN
16 INTERVENTION THAT TARGETS PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS, THEIR
17 PARENTS AND TEACHERS, WITH HEALTH SCREENINGS AND FITNESS AND
18 NUTRITION PROGRAMMING IN COLLABORATION WITH MULTIPLE COMMUNITY
19 PARTNERS. UNDER THIS INITIATIVE, NORTHRIDGE HOSPITAL ASSISTS
20 EACH SCHOOL IN ASSESSING ITS LEVEL OF WELLNESS AND DEVELOPING
21 AN IMPROVEMENT PLAN USING THE CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL'S
22 SCHOOL HEALTH INDEX. COMMUNITY RESOURCES ARE BROUGHT IN TO
23 IMPLEMENT NEEDS IDENTIFIED INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PHYSICAL
24 EDUCATION EQUIPMENT, INCREASED TIME FOR STRUCTURED PHYSICAL
25 ACTIVITY FOR STUDENTS, PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAMS FOR TEACHERS



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1 AND STAFF, NUTRITION, EDUCATION, PHYSICAL FITNESS PROGRAMS AND
2 HEALTH SCREENINGS FOR PARENTS AND FINALLY SCHOOL WIDE
3 PROMOTIONAL CAMPAIGNS ENCOURAGING HEALTHY DIETS. I WANT TO
4 TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO COMMEND AND THANK NORTHRIDGE HOSPITAL
5 MEDICAL CENTER AND THEIR SCHOOL PARTNERS FOR IMPLEMENTING THIS
6 INITIATIVE TO STEM THIS GROWING EPIDEMIC, AND IT IS AN
7 EPIDEMIC, OF DIABETES IN YOUTH AND FAMILIES IN OUR COUNTY. I
8 APPLAUD YOUR EFFORTS AND THANK YOU FOR THE VISION THAT YOU
9 HAVE FOR A HEALTHIER COMMUNITY IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. I
10 WANT TO FIRST OF ALL PRESENT THIS PROCLAMATION TO NORTHRIDGE
11 HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER TO ITS PRESIDENT, MIKE WALL, MIKE? [
12 APPLAUSE]

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO SAY A
15 COUPLE OF WORDS IN A MINUTE BUT I WANT TO PRESENT THESE
16 CERTIFICATES TO ALL OF OUR PARTNERS. MIKE, THIS IS ALSO FOR
17 YOU. THESE ARE CERTIFICATES OF COMMENDATION, THIS ONE IS TO
18 BONNIE BAYLOR, DIRECTOR OF THE CENTER FOR HEALTHIER
19 COMMUNITIES, NORTHRIDGE HOSPITAL. [APPLAUSE]

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHERI THOMAS, OF THE LOS ANGELES
22 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, WHO COORDINATES-- SCHOOL HEALTH
23 FACILITATOR. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JANICE LAKE, OF L.A.U.S.D., LOCAL
2 DISTRICT 1, ORGANIZATION FACILITATOR. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THIS IS FOR LIGGETT ELEMENTARY
5 SCHOOL, USAFI DIAMOND, PRINCIPAL. [APPLAUSE]

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PLUMBER ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ITS
8 PRINCIPAL, ANGEL BARRETT. [APPLAUSE]

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** RANCHITO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ITS
11 PRINCIPAL, PAT PELLETIER. [APPLAUSE]

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SEPULVEDA MIDDLE SCHOOL AND ITS
14 PRINCIPAL, BARBARA CHARNESS. [APPLAUSE] [LAUGHTER]

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JACK JACOBSON IS THE INTERIM
17 PRINCIPAL. HE LOOKS LIKE BARBARA. NO, HE DOESN'T. DOESN'T LOOK
18 LIKE BARBARA. HE'S THE INTERIM PRINCIPAL NOW. I GUESS BARBARA
19 WAS PROMOTED? SHE RETIRED. YOU MIGHT MAKE SURE SHE GETS THAT
20 AS OUR RETIREMENT PRESENT TO HER.

21

22 **JACK JACOBSON:** THANK YOU.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S SEE IF I SCREW THIS ONE UP.
25 LINDA SCHWARTZ, MONROE HIGH SCHOOL. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MONROE IS OUR SON'S ALMA MATTER.
3 AND GREAT LONG GOVERNMENT MAGNET. THANKS, LINDA, FOR WHAT YOU
4 DO OUT THERE. BURTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL, ROGER WILCOX,
5 PRINCIPAL. [APPLAUSE]

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CHASE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND ITS
8 PRINCIPAL, DIANA VILLAFANA. [APPLAUSE]

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NOBLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND
11 PRINCIPAL, MARGARET NELSON. [APPLAUSE]

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PANORAMA CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
14 AND PRINCIPAL, ELIZABETH CERVANTES. [APPLAUSE]

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TARZANA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND
17 PRINCIPAL, VICKI LEE. [APPLAUSE]

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHE'S REPRESENTED BY ONE OF THE
20 TEACHERS, CORINNE NAGARIAN FROM THE SCHOOL SO THANK YOU FOR
21 BEING HERE REPRESENTING THE PRINCIPAL. COLUMBUS MIDDLE SCHOOL,
22 ANNE ALOCA? WHERE'S ANN? [LAUGHTER]

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WAS GOING TO SAY I WAS IMPRESSED
25 THAT ALL THE PRINCIPALS WERE IN TOWN, BUT SOME OF THEM ARE ON



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1 VACATION. AND, FINALLY, LAST BUT NOT LEAST, KENNEDY HIGH
2 SCHOOL AND PRINCIPAL CHRIS CLARK. IS CHRIS HERE? [APPLAUSE]
3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK, MIKE, IF YOU'LL JOIN ME,
5 I THINK YOU GET THE IDEA OF HOW COMPREHENSIVE THIS CAMPAIGN
6 HAS BEEN THANKS TO NORTHRIDGE HOSPITAL MEDICAL CENTER. IT'S
7 REACHED OUT TO A WHOLE LOT OF SCHOOLS, ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE AND
8 HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. WE APPRECIATE IT VERY
9 MUCH AND ASK IF YOU'LL SAY A WORD OR TWO. THANKS, MIKE.

10

11 **MIKE WALL:** THANKS, ZEV. I WANT TO INTRODUCE JEAN BROWN, WHO IS
12 OUR COLLABORATOR, THE SUPERINTENDENT FROM OUR LOCAL DISTRICT.
13 [APPLAUSE]

14

15 **MIKE WALL:** I SHARED WITH THIS GROUP AT OUR FIRST PRESS
16 CONFERENCE THAT NORTHRIDGE HOSPITAL HAS THIS EXCELLENT
17 REPUTATION FOR TAKING CARE OF SICK PEOPLE BUT IS LEARNING HOW
18 TO GET INTO WELLNESS AND PREVENTION AND I THINK WE'VE FOUND A
19 HOME RUN BALL IN THIS PROJECT PRIMARILY BECAUSE WE HAVE THESE
20 SCHOOL PRINCIPALS WHO HAVE DEMONSTRATED LEADERSHIP, PASSION
21 AND OWN THIS INITIATIVE. AND THAT'S WHY IT'S MAKING THE
22 DIFFERENCE IT IS. SO THANK YOU FOR RECOGNIZING US AND THESE
23 HEROES TODAY. [APPLAUSE]

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NEXT-- THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.

2 NEXT, WE HAVE A PRESENTATION FROM THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY

3 COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES. WHO'S GOT THE HANDHELD MICROPHONE?

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT THERE. HERE ON SACHI'S DESK.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO INTRODUCE JANET NEAL,

8 REPRESENTING THE COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES, TO OPEN UP THE

9 PROCEEDINGS FOR THIS PRESENTATION.

10

11 **JANET NEAL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS JANET

12 NEAL AND I'M VICE CHAIR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COMMISSION

13 ON DISABILITIES AND I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE SOME OF THE

14 COMMISSIONERS THAT ARE HERE WITH US TODAY. COMMISSIONER ALEXIA

15 TURAN? COMMISSIONER HARLEY RUBENSTEIN. COMMISSIONER JOHN

16 TRUST. AND OUR STAFF HERE, ROSEMARY OSUNA AND MARTHA? MARTHA,

17 THERE WE ARE OVER HERE, MARTHA ORANA. THANK YOU ALL FOR

18 COMING. AND I WANT TO SAY HOW HAPPY I AM TO BE HERE TO MAKE

19 THIS PRESENTATION TO ALL OF YOU PEOPLE AND I'M VERY PROUD OF

20 ALL OF YOU FOR GOING TO SCHOOL, FOR STAYING IN SCHOOL AND I

21 WANT YOU TO LEARN AS MUCH AS YOU CAN, SPECIALIZE IN SOMETHING

22 AND THEN FIND SOMETHING THAT INTERESTS YOU BECAUSE YOU KNOW

23 HOW DISABILITY IS, SOMETIMES IT WILL GET YOU OFF TRACK A

24 LITTLE BIT BUT, IF YOU PURSUE SOMETHING THAT ALSO INTERESTS

25 YOU, IT MAY BE SOMETHING THAT YOU CAN DEVELOP INTO A SECOND



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1 CAREER IN CASE YOU HAVE TO CHANGE CAREERS LIKE I DID SEVERAL
2 TIMES. SO, ANYWAY, I WOULD LIKE TO FIRST INTRODUCE OUR FIRST
3 DISTRICT WINNER. AND THIS IS TO LIZETH GABRIOLA. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'M VERY PROUD TO INTRODUCE HER. SHE IS THIS
6 YEAR'S WINNER FROM THE FIRST DISTRICT. LIZETH GABRIOLA
7 GRADUATED FROM SOUTHGATE HIGH SCHOOL AND IS EXCITED ABOUT
8 ATTENDING EAST L.A. COLLEGE THIS FALL. ALTHOUGH LIZETH HAS
9 FACED MANY CHALLENGES DUE TO HER DISABILITY, SHE REFUSES TO
10 LET THIS DIVERSITY AFFECT HER AT ALL AND SHE STRIVES TO MEET
11 EVERY SINGLE CHALLENGE. SHE WAS A STUDENT WORKER AT HER HIGH
12 SCHOOL TRANSITION RESOURCE OFFICE AND ALSO GENEROUSLY ASSISTED
13 ALL OF HER PEERS IN ALL OF THE SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS. SHE
14 LOOKS FORWARD TO BEGINNING NEW CHALLENGES AT EAST L.A.
15 COLLEGE, WHERE SHE WILL PURSUE A LIBERAL STUDIES DEGREE AND
16 BECOME A SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHER TO TEACH OTHERS WITH
17 DISABILITIES. LIZETH, YOUR DETERMINATION IS CERTAINLY TRULY
18 ADMIRABLE. WE ADMIRE YOU. WE APPLAUD ALL OF THE WORK AND WE
19 CONGRATULATE YOU FOR BEING THIS YEAR'S WINNER.
20 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **JANET NEAL:** OUR SECOND DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE IS UNABLE TO
23 MAKE IT TODAY, SO WE WILL HOLD ONTO THIS FOR HIM UNTIL HE'S
24 ABLE TO MAKE IT. AND OUR THIRD DISTRICT IS PAUL HERZLICH,
25 PAUL? AH, PAUL! [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PAUL, COME OVER HERE SO YOU CAN

3 LOOK IN THE CAMERA HERE. I'M HONORED TO PRESENT THIS

4 PROCLAMATION IN HONOR OF THE SCHOLARSHIP THAT PAUL HERZLICH IS

5 GOING TO BE RECEIVING. PAUL GRADUATED WITH HONORS AND A 4.06

6 GRADE POINT AVERAGE FROM TAFT HIGH SCHOOL IN WOODLAND HILLS,

7 IN THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED TO ATTEND THE

8 UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT SANTA BARBARA IN THE FALL OF 2007.

9 THREE YEARS AGO, PAUL WAS A VICTIM OF A GANG-RELATED DRIVE-BY

10 SHOOTING. A BULLET STRUCK HIS SPINAL CORD AND PARALYZED HIS

11 LEGS WHICH REQUIRES HIM NOW TO USE A WHEELCHAIR. DESPITE THIS

12 TRAGIC INJURY, HE HAS AN ADMIRABLE ZEAL AND DEMEANOR FOR LIFE.

13 HE HELD OUTSTANDING GRADES IN ADVANCED PLACEMENT COURSES WHILE

14 IN SCHOOL. PAUL PLANS TO CONTINUE A HIGH LEVEL EDUCATION FOR

15 THE NEXT FOUR YEARS AT U.C. SANTA BARBARA. HE ENJOYS TAKING

16 GUITAR LESSONS AND IS INVOLVED IN MANY COMMUNITY SERVICE

17 ACTIVITIES. HE CURRENTLY COMPLETED A SPECIALIZED DRIVER'S

18 TRAINING COURSE, RECEIVED A DRIVER'S LICENSE AND OWNS A

19 MODIFIED CAR WITH HAND CONTROLS WHICH HE ENJOYS WITH HIS

20 FRIENDS. PAUL IS AN EXCEPTIONAL HUMAN BEING WITH A BOUNDLESS

21 LOVE FOR LEARNING AND BOUNDLESS OPTIMISM. HIS POSITIVE

22 ATTITUDE HAS BEEN VERY CONTAGIOUS AND INSPIRATIONAL TO ALL HIS

23 PEERS AT TAFT HIGH SCHOOL AND I'M SURE YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE

24 SANTA BARBARA BY STORM, AS WELL. CONGRATULATIONS, PAUL. [

25 APPLAUSE]



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2 **JANET NEAL:** CONGRATULATIONS, AGAIN, PAUL. FOR THE FOURTH
3 DISTRICT, WE HAVE ADAM-- AND YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE TO HELP ME
4 WITH YOUR LAST NAME, ADAM. OHNSTAD.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT UP HERE. ADAM'S RIGHT UP HERE. I'M GOING TO
7 INVITE ADAM AND HIS MOM, KATHY, TO JOIN US UP HERE. AGAIN,
8 WE'RE VERY PROUD OF HIM. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE THE
9 FOURTH DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP WINNER, AN EXCEPTIONAL YOUNG MAN,
10 ADAM OHNSTAD. ADAM IS A GRADUATE OF WESTCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL,
11 WHICH IS A MATH/SCIENCE/AEROSPACE MAGNET SCHOOL. ADAM WAS
12 DIAGNOSED WITH RETINITIS PIGMENTOSA, A DEGENERATIVE EYE
13 DISEASE, THAT CAUSES PROGRESSIVE VISION LOSS. BUT, DESPITE
14 THIS DISABILITY, ADAM IS TAKING RIGOROUS COLLEGE PREPARATORY
15 CLASSES AND IS RANKED ACADEMICALLY AMONG THE TOP 10% OF HIS
16 CLASS. IN ADDITION, ADAM EXCELS IN EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
17 WHICH INCLUDE THE BOY SCOUTS, TEACHING CONFIRMATION COURSES AT
18 HIS LOCAL PARISH, PARTICIPATING IN SPORTING EVENTS SUCH AS
19 MOTOCROSS AND SNOWBOARDING. WERE YOU AT THE X-GAMES? HE HAS
20 BEEN ACCEPTED TO SANTA MONICA COLLEGE THIS FALL AND THEN PLANS
21 TO TRANSFER TO A UNIVERSITY AND OBTAIN A DEGREE IN BUSINESS
22 ADMINISTRATION. SO, ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES AND
23 HERE ON THE BOARD AND ALL THE RESIDENTS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY,
24 WE ARE HONORED AND THRILLED TO BE ABLE TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL



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1 OF RECOGNITION OF THE 2007 BILL TAINTER SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS TO
2 ADAM OHNSTAD. [APPLAUSE]

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4 **JANET NEAL:** ALL RIGHT. CONGRATULATIONS AGAIN, ADAM. NEXT, WE
5 HAVE OUR FIFTH DISTRICT WINNER, PHILLIP MORROW. [APPLAUSE]

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, PHILLIP IS A GRADUATE OF JOHN MUIR HIGH
8 SCHOOL AND HAS BEEN AN ACCEPTED TO ATTEND PIERCE COLLEGE IN
9 THE FALL OF 2007. HE WAS A FOSTER CHILD WHO COMES FROM
10 MACLAREN HALL CHILDREN'S CENTER AND, IN SPITE OF THE VERY MANY
11 CHALLENGES THAT HE ENCOUNTERED IN LIFE, HE'S EXCELLED
12 ACADEMICALLY AND, DUE TO HIS DETERMINATION AND HIS ABILITY FOR
13 EXCELLENCE, HE HAS VOLUNTEERED HIS TIME AT THE WASHINGTON
14 CHILDREN'S CENTER, WHERE HE ASSISTED CHILDREN'S GRADES
15 KINDERGARTEN TO FOURTH WITH THEIR HOMEWORK. HE DREAMS OF
16 CONTINUING HIS COLLEGE EDUCATION AND PURSUING A CAREER IN THE
17 PROFESSIONS. SO, PHILLIP, WE APPRECIATE YOU FOR YOUR
18 DETERMINATION AND EXCELLENCE, ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE AND WISH YOU
19 CONTINUED SUCCESS AS YOU GO TO THE BEAUTIFUL VALLEY AND ATTEND
20 PIERCE COLLEGE. [APPLAUSE]

21

22 **JANET NEAL:** I WOULD LIKE TO SAY TO ALL OF OUR WINNERS THAT
23 WE'RE ALL VERY PROUD OF YOU AND I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE YOU
24 TO APPLY FOR THE YOUTH SEAT THAT WE HAVE VACANT ON OUR
25 COMMISSION. WE HAVE ONE SEAT FOR A YOUNG PERSON THAT'S



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1 INTERESTED IN LEARNING HOW TO GET OUT THERE INTO THE COMMUNITY
2 AND WORK WITH DIFFERENT COMMITTEES AND DIFFERENT PUBLIC
3 ENTITIES AND WE HOPE THAT ONE OF YOU WILL APPLY FOR THAT SEAT.
4 AND THANK EVERYBODY FOR COMING. AND THANK YOU ALL, YOUR
5 FAMILIES AND EVERYBODY FOR SUPPORTING THESE PEOPLE AND
6 CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THEM THROUGH THEIR COLLEGE YEARS. THANK
7 YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU ALL FOR BEING
10 HERE ON THE COMMISSION OF DISABILITIES' PRESENTATIONS. THANK
11 YOU TO THE COMMISSION FOR THEIR SCHOLARSHIPS. I'D LIKE TO CALL
12 ON MR. KNABE AT THIS TIME.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I'M
15 GOING TO ASK THE REPRESENTATIVES FROM PUBLIC WORKS TO JOIN ME
16 UP HERE, ALONG WITH C.H.P. PERSONNEL, CAPTAIN STEVEN WEB AND
17 LEON HINES, JR. AND, FROM A.C.S., TODD REDMOND AND ANN
18 MOSTERNURI. TODAY, WE ARE RECOGNIZING "NATIONAL STOP ON RED
19 WEEK" ACROSS THE NATION. THIS PROGRAM IS SPONSORED BY THE
20 DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, OUR CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
21 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. TOGETHER, THEY ARE
22 PROMOTING SAFE DRIVING HABITS AND PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT THE
23 RISKS OF RUNNING A RED LIGHT AND SPEEDING. ACCORDING TO THE
24 INSTITUTE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY, THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
25 AND FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION, MORE THAN 1.8 MILLION



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1 INTERSECTION CRASHES A YEAR-- OCCUR YEARLY, EXCUSE ME. MANY OF
2 THESE COLLISIONS ARE DUE TO VEHICLES RUNNING RED LIGHTS OR
3 TRAVELING AT EXCESSIVE SPEEDS. LAST SEPTEMBER, THIS BOARD
4 VOTED TO SUPPORT THE ACCEPTANCE OF A GRANT TO PURCHASE RADAR
5 SPEED TRAILERS TO BE UTILIZED BY 10 CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL
6 OFFICES SERVICING THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS OF THE COUNTY.
7 THESE RADAR SPEED TRAILERS WERE DEPLOYED AT INTERSECTIONS THAT
8 HAD A HISTORY OF SPEEDING MOTORISTS OR TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS
9 RELATED TO SPEED. SAFETY FOR BOTH MOTORISTS AND PEDESTRIANS BY
10 DISPLAYING THE ACTUAL SPEED A MOTORIST IS TRAVELING ALLOWS THE
11 DRIVERS TO BE MORE COGNIZANT OF HOW FAST THEY ARE DRIVING. YOU
12 KNOW, WHEN YOU'RE DRIVING ALONG IT SAYS 48 AND YOU TAKE YOUR
13 FOOT OFF AND IT DROPS TO 28 IN ABOUT TWO SECONDS? YEAH,
14 ANYWAY, ANYWAY, THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL AND THE
15 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS ENCOURAGE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY
16 RESIDENTS TO HELP PROMOTE EDUCATION ABOUT THE CORE SAFETY
17 ISSUES AND PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR BROAD, COORDINATED LAW
18 ENFORCEMENT, INCLUDING RED LIGHT CAMERA TECHNOLOGY AND
19 INCREASED ENFORCEMENT AGAINST SPEEDING MOTORISTS. SO, ON
20 BEHALF OF THE BOARD AND ALL MY COLLEAGUES AND EVERYONE, WE
21 WANT TO SAY WE SUPPORT YOU AND WE'RE TRYING TO WORK CLOSELY
22 WITH YOU, AND PARTICULARLY ON TRYING TO ALLEVIATE SOME OF
23 THESE VERY SERIOUS INTERSECTION ACCIDENTS. SO WE ARE HERE TO
24 JOIN YOU IN CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL STOP ON RED WEEK.
25 CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE]



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DON WOLFE DID MAKE IT.

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. ON BEHALF OF THE CALIFORNIA
5 HIGHWAY PATROL, IT'S AN HONOR TO BE HERE. I WANT TO THANK THE
6 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. THE MISSION
7 OF THE C.H.P. IS TO PREVENT ANY TYPE OF COLLISION AND TO SAVE
8 LIVES AND THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT THIS CAMPAIGN WAS DESIGNED TO
9 DO. I THINK WE ALL KNOW PEOPLE RUN RED LIGHTS. IT HAPPENS
10 EVERY DAY. WE SEE IT. AND, UNFORTUNATELY, IT CAUSES SEVERE
11 INJURIES AND SOMETIMES DEATH. ALL WE WANT TO DO IS GET THE
12 WORD OUT TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE REMEMBER, NO MATTER HOW LATE
13 YOU MAY BE RUNNING TO A MEETING OR MAY BE TALKING ON THE CELL
14 PHONE, ET CETERA, PLEASE WATCH FOR THOSE RED LIGHTS. PLEASE
15 STOP. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, LAST YEAR, OVER 7,000 COLLISIONS
16 TOOK PLACE IN THESE INTERSECTIONS DUE TO PEOPLE RUNNING RED
17 LIGHTS. THE C.H.P. IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ISSUED OVER 8,000
18 CITATIONS. WE WILL CONTINUE TO DO SO HERE IN THE COUNTY TO
19 MAKE IT SAFE FOR EVERYBODY. SO, AGAIN, THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR
20 YOUR SUPPORT AND WE WILL BE OUT THERE ENFORCING THOSE TRAFFIC
21 LAWS ON A DAILY BASIS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]

22

23 **DON WOLFE:** THANK YOU. ON BEHALF OF PUBLIC WORKS AND THE COUNTY
24 OF LOS ANGELES, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THAT THE CALIFORNIA
25 HIGHWAY PATROL IS A GREAT ORGANIZATION AND OUR COOPERATION AND



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1 WORKING WITH THEM TO REDUCE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN THE COUNTY,
2 WE BELIEVE, IS PAYING OFF. I JUST WANT TO SAY THANK YOU VERY
3 MUCH, GENTLEMEN, FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT. [APPLAUSE]

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU, AGAIN, NOT ONLY TO HIGHWAY
6 PATROL BUT TO A.C.S. AND TO OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS.
7 THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. WELL, A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, WE HAD THE
8 PLEASURE OF DEDICATING AND BREAKING-- CUTTING THE RIBBON FOR
9 THE NEW PUBLIC HEALTH LABORATORY. I'D LIKE TO INVITE DR.
10 JONATHAN FIELDING UP HERE, WHO IS OUR DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
11 HEALTH, AS WELL AS DR. BOB KIM FARLEY, HEAD OF OUR
12 COMMUNICABLE DISEASES, DR. SUE SABETT, THE DIRECTOR OF THE
13 LAB, AND DR. LEE BORNSTEIN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR. THIS FACILITY IS
14 LOCATED IN THE CITY OF DOWNEY ON OUR RANCHO LOS AMIGOS SOUTH
15 CAMPUS. THE PREVIOUS LABORATORY HAD BEEN HEADQUARTERED
16 DOWNTOWN L.A. THE NEW, MORE SPACIOUS LOCATION, IT'S AN
17 INCREDIBLE FACILITY, THE LATEST TECHNOLOGY, AND REALLY
18 INCREASES OUR LAB'S CAPABILITIES. THE BIGGER FACILITY NOW
19 GIVES APPROXIMATELY 160 STAFFERS ROOM TO SAFELY AND
20 EFFECTIVELY DO THEIR JOBS AND OVER 34,000 SQUARE FEET OF LAB.
21 THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC HEALTH LAB IS UNIQUE AMONG LOCAL PUBLIC
22 HEALTH LABORATORIES IN CALIFORNIA DUE TO THE SHEER VOLUME OF
23 TESTING IT PERFORMS. THE LABORATORY CONDUCTS MORE THAN 700,000
24 TESTS ON ON 400,000 PLUS SPECIMENS EACH YEAR AND IT SERVES THE
25 NEEDS OF MORE THAN 10 MILLION RESIDENTS AND THE TENS OF



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1 THOUSANDS OF VISITORS HERE TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO,
2 OBVIOUSLY, THIS LAB AND OUR DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH IS
3 COMMITTED TO KEEP US SAFE, TO NOT ONLY BE ABLE TO IDENTIFY BUT
4 TO BE PREVENTIVE, AS WELL, TOO. SO WE DID THE FORMAL RIBBON
5 CUTTING BUT WE WANTED TO TAKE THE TIME TO LET EVERYBODY KNOW
6 IT'S OUT THERE, AS WELL, TOO, AND TO ANNOUNCE THIS DEDICATION
7 HERE AGAIN TODAY. SO CONGRATULATIONS. IT'S AN INCREDIBLE
8 FACILITY. [APPLAUSE]

9

10 **DR. JONATHAN FIELDING:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I WANT TO THANK
11 SUPERVISOR KNABE WHO'S BEEN SUCH A STRONG SUPPORTER OF GETTING
12 THIS LAB REDONE AND THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THEIR
13 SUPPORT. THANK THE CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL, WHO ALSO
14 PROVIDED IMPORTANT MONETARY SUPPORT. WE NOW HAVE A PUBLIC
15 HEALTH LAB THAT EVERYBODY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY CAN BE VERY,
16 VERY PROUD OF. IT IS SECOND TO NONE AMONG LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH
17 LABORATORIES AND BOTH IN THE RANGE OF TESTS IT DOES, THE
18 QUALITY OF WORK IT CAN DO, IN THIS NEW ERA WHERE WE'RE
19 CONCERNED ABOUT A LOT OF THINGS LIKE S.A.R.S. AND PANDEMIC
20 INFLUENZA, AND BIOTERRORISM AND OTHER PROBLEMS, WE ARE NOW IN
21 THE STANCE TO BE ABLE TO DO THE RIGHT KIND OF LABORATORY WORK
22 TO QUICKLY IDENTIFY PROBLEMS SO THAT WE CAN REALLY REACT
23 QUICKLY TO PROBLEMS, CONTROL THEM AND IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND
24 PROTECT THE HEALTH OF EVERYBODY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SO THIS



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1 IS A GREAT DAY AND THANKS FOR SUPPORT. SUE, DO YOU WANT TO
2 SAY? DR. SABETT IS THE DIRECTOR OF THE LABORATORY.

3

4 **DR. SUE SABETT:** I JUST WANT TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR
5 GIVING US THIS HONOR AND I'M HAPPY TO ACCEPT THE PROCLAMATION
6 ON BEHALF OF ALL THE STAFF OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH LAB AND WE
7 APPRECIATED YOUR COMING FOR THE OPENING SESSION AND OPENING
8 DAY. THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WELL, WE HAD, I GUESS, ABOUT 7-8,000 PEOPLE
13 THIS PAST APRIL FOR-- I SHOULD SAY MAY FOR MEMORIAL DAY AT
14 ARCADIA PARK AND WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE TWO OF THE
15 VOLUNTEERS WHO HELPED MAKE THAT SUCCESSFUL. ONE IS THE GIRL
16 SCOUTS OF AMERICA AND ALSO THE AZUSA HIGH SCHOOL, JR. R.O.T.C.
17 REPRESENTING THE R.O.T.C. FROM AZUSA HIGH SCHOOL IS MAJOR JOE
18 RUIZ AND STUDENTS AARON GLASS AND SERGIO FUNEZ. FROM THE GIRL
19 SCOUTS OF AMERICA, WE HAVE LOUISE SOY, GIRL SCOUTS OF AMERICA.
20 WENDY SHARE, ALSO THE GIRL SCOUTS OF AMERICA. AND GIRL SCOUTS
21 HERMIA AH AND MELISSA WONG AND SYLVIA WONG. THE BOARD IS GOING
22 TO RECOGNIZE THESE VOLUNTEERS FOR THEIR LEADERSHIP EFFORTS AT
23 THE TENTH ANNUAL REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES,
24 PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE EVENT AT ARCADIA COUNTY PARK. THE
25 AZUSA JR. R.O.T.C. FIRST BEGAN OPERATION DURING THE SCHOOL



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1 YEAR DURING 1995 TO '96 WITH ENROLLMENT OF 104 CADETS. AZUSA'S
2 FIRST ARMY INSTRUCTOR WAS FIRST SERGEANT MATEO HENOSA IN JULY
3 OF 1996. MAJOR JOE RUIZ TOOK OVER AS THE SENIOR ARMY
4 INSTRUCTOR AND THE CURRENT ARMY INSTRUCTOR. THE HIGH SCHOOLS
5 HAS EARNED HONOR UNITS DURING ITS FIRST FORMAL INSPECTION IN
6 DECEMBER OF 1998. IN 1999 THEY BECAME AN HONOR UNIT WITH
7 DISTINCTION AND, ON NOVEMBER 2ND OF 2004, THE AZTEC BATTALION
8 PASSED ITS THIRD STRAIGHT BATTALION FORMAL INSPECTION WITH THE
9 HIGHEST SCORE POSSIBLE. THIS YEAR, MEMBERS OF THE JUNIOR
10 R.O.T.C. HELPED MAN THE BOOTHS AT THE EVENT, ESCORT
11 INDIVIDUALS TO THE BOOTHS AND ASSISTED WITH PARKING SERVICES.
12 THE GIRL SCOUTS, TROOP 701 FROM THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL, WAS
13 ESTABLISHED IN 2000 WITH JUST FIVE MEMBERS. TODAY THEY NOW
14 HAVE 23 MEMBERS THAT PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMUNITY, LEARNING
15 MORE ABOUT THE COMMUNITY THEY LIVE IN AND HOW THEY CAN HELP
16 OTHERS. TROOP 701 HAS HELPED WITH THE REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS
17 EVENTS FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS. THIS YEAR, THEY HELPED SET UP
18 FIVE BOOTHS AND WORKED IN THE CHILDREN'S CORNER TEACHING OUR
19 CHILDREN, OUR VETERANS ABOUT AMERICAN HISTORY. I WOULD LIKE
20 NOW TO MAKE THESE PRESENTATIONS FIRST TO THE GIRL SCOUTS OF
21 AMERICA. WOULD YOU LIKE TO SAY SOMETHING?

22
23 **SPEAKER:** AS GIRL SCOUTS, IT IS OUR PLEASURE TO SERVE THE
24 COMMUNITY. WE HOPE THE SERVICE WOULD HELP THE COMMUNITY BE



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1 BETTER AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE THE RECOGNITION. THANK YOU. [
2 APPLAUSE]

3

4 **SPEAKER:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND
5 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO GIVE OUR STUDENTS THIS
6 OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR VETERANS. WE APPRECIATE IT. THANKS. [
7 APPLAUSE]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE TRYING TO WAIT FOR ONE OF THE OTHER
10 PERSONS TO COME, WE'LL DO LITTLE THUNDER. THUNDER, FOLLOWING
11 IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF LAST WEEK'S MOST ADORABLE DOG, IS A
12 SIBERIAN HUSKY MIX. AND, AS YOU CAN SEE, HE IS LOOKING TO
13 BRING A LITTLE SUNSHINE TO YOUR LIFE, EVEN THOUGH HIS NAME IS
14 THUNDER. SO, ANYWAY, THUNDER IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. HE'S SEVEN
15 WEEKS OLD, A LITTLE BOY. YOU CAN CALL (562)728-4644 AND LITTLE
16 THUNDER WILL BRING A LOT OF JOY. MAYBE ONE OF THE
17 DISTINGUISHED COUNCIL MEMBERS OF SAN GABRIEL WOULD LIKE IT OR
18 LOS POBLADORES WOULD LIKE TO BRING THUNDER? WELL, THIS MORNING
19 WE WANT TO WELCOME THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL. THE LOS POBLADORES
20 ARE COMING. I GUESS WE COULD CALL DEBRA, ONE OF THE STAFF IN
21 MY OFFICE, TO COME DOWNSTAIRS TO REPRESENT THEM BECAUSE SHE
22 AND HER FAMILY ARE PART OF THAT HERITAGE. WITH US THIS MORNING
23 IS MAYOR KEVIN SATKINS, VICE MAYOR HARRY BALDWIN, COUNCIL
24 MEMBER DAVID GUERREZ AND ALBERT WONG, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
25 MANAGER, CYNTHIA SMITH AND, FROM THE SAN GABRIEL MISSION, WE



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1 HAVE THE MICHAEL ABRO, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, NANETTE RICON,
2 THE COORDINATING CHAIR AND THE 2006-2007 FIESTA ROYAL COURT,
3 QUEEN ARAMIS LOPEZ, STEPHANIE DE LUNA, YANISAY MERCADO AND,
4 FROM THE LAS PALADORES WHO ARE SUPPOSED TO BE HERE, IS
5 PRESIDENT OREEN SEPULVEDA HASTINGS, PAUL GUZMAN AND CONNIE
6 NISS. THEY'RE JOINING US IN PROCLAIMING THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER
7 1ST THROUGH THE 8TH, 2007, AS THE 236TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
8 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES' OLDEST SETTLEMENT, THE SAN GABRIEL
9 MISSION AND SALUTE LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S FOUNDING FAMILIES, LOS
10 POBLADORES 200. THE HISTORY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY BEGAN 236
11 YEARS AGO WHEN SPANISH MISSIONARIES CAME FROM SPAIN AND
12 ESTABLISHED A MISSION, THE SAN GABRIEL MISSION, ON SEPTEMBER
13 8TH, 1771. THIS IS THE HISTORY AND THE BEGINNINGS OF OUR
14 COUNTY. AND ABOUT 9-1/2 YEARS LATER, THE CITY OF-- WHICH LATER
15 BECAME THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WAS FOUNDED WHEN THE PEOPLE
16 FROM SAN GABRIEL MARCHED DOWN AND ESTABLISHED A MISSION, A
17 PUEBLO, IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES TODAY. AND WE ALL KNOW THAT
18 THE HISTORY OF THE COUNTY WAS THOSE WITH THE FOUNDING OF THE
19 MISSIONS. LATER, THEY WENT OUT TO THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY AND
20 FOUNDED THE SAN FERNANDO MISSION. ON SEPTEMBER 4TH,
21 DESCENDENTS OF THE LOS POBLADORES HAVE REENACTED THEIR
22 ANCESTORS' HISTORIC WALK TO COMMEMORATE THE FOUNDING OF LOS
23 ANGELES COUNTY AND ALSO THE COUNTY'S FIRST CITY, WHICH WAS
24 INCORPORATED IN 1850. OUR FIRST CITY WAS IN 1850 AND THAT WAS
25 THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES AND NOW WE HAVE 88 CITIES FOR THE



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1 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO, AT THIS TIME, WE WOULD LIKE TO
2 RECOGNIZE AND PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 1ST THROUGH THE
3 8TH AS THE 236TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COUNTY'S LOS ANGELES'
4 OLDEST SETTLEMENT, THE SAN GABRIEL MISSION, AND ENCOURAGE THE
5 RESIDENTS TO JOIN IN CELEBRATING THIS HISTORIC WALK. WE HAVE A
6 WALK ALL THE WAY FROM THE MISSION TO DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES. I
7 PARTICIPATED LAST YEAR. HOPEFULLY, THIS YEAR, THE MAYOR WILL
8 WALK THE WHOLE-- THE MAYOR OF SAN GABRIEL WILL WALK THE ENTIRE
9 TIME. THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WALKED A COUPLE
10 BLOCKS AND THEN ROAD THE REST OF THE WAY. MAYBE THIS YEAR,
11 HE'LL WALK ALL THE WAY WITH US BUT LET US FIRST GIVE THE
12 PROCLAMATION TO THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL, MR. MAYOR? AND TO THE
13 SAN GABRIEL MISSION? LOS POBLADORES? DEBBIE DIDN'T COME DOWN?
14 WE COULD GIVE IT TO DEBBIE. SHE'S TOO SHY? OKAY. WE HAVE IT
15 THERE FOR THEM. SO, FIRST, LET'S ASK THE MAYOR TO SAY A FEW
16 WORDS?

17

18 **SPEAKER:** WELL, IT'S KIND OF TOUGH TO FOLLOW THUNDER BUT I
19 WOULD LOVE TO TAKE HIM HOME IF I COULD BUT I ALREADY HAVE
20 "LIGHTNING" AT HOME. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, THANK YOU SO MUCH
21 FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. WE THANK YOU FOR THIS HONOR,
22 RECEIVING THIS PROCLAMATION WHICH ACKNOWLEDGES OUR PLACE IN
23 LOCAL HISTORY AND I WELCOME ALL THE SUPERVISORS TO COME DOWN
24 AND JOIN US. ON SEPTEMBER 2ND, 7 A.M., WE'RE GOING TO REENACT
25 THE WALK, THE FOUNDING OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES. THAT'LL BE



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1 7 A.M., SEPTEMBER 2ND. AND A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO SUPERVISOR
2 ANTONOVICH FOR ALL OF YOUR SUPPORT OVER THE YEARS AND
3 CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THE CITY OF SAN GABRIEL AND ALL OF OUR
4 COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS AND ALSO SUPPORTING THIS EVENT. SO
5 THANK YOU AND THANK YOU FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. [APPLAUSE]
6

7 **SPEAKER:** MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, ON BEHALF OF OUR PASTOR, FATHER
8 RALPH BURKE AND THE ENTIRE SAN GABRIEL MISSION COMMUNITY, THE
9 OLDEST ESTABLISHMENT IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, I THANK YOU FOR
10 THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BE WITH YOU TODAY. THIS YEAR, WE CELEBRATE
11 OUR 236TH YEAR OF LIVING HISTORY IN THE VIBRANT AND DIVERSE
12 CITY. WE INVITE YOU AND ALL CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO
13 OUR LA FIESTA SAN GABRIEL ON LABOR DAY WEEKEND. THERE WILL BE
14 ACTIVITIES FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY AND THE WALK TO LOS ANGELES ON
15 SUNDAY MORNING, BEGINNING RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE MISSION. SEE
16 YOU AT THE FIESTA. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, PLEASE ACCEPT THIS
17 236TH FIESTA T-SHIRT FOR THE MISSION FOR YOU AND YOUR FAMILY.
18 THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT.
19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE]
21

22 **SPEAKER:** HI, I'D LIKE TO WELCOME ALL OF YOU TO THE SAN GABRIEL
23 236TH ANNUAL SAN GABRIEL FIESTA. WE'LL SEE YOU THERE. [
24 APPLAUSE]
25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT CONCLUDES OUR PRESENTATIONS.

2 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU'RE UP FIRST.

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** YOU KNOW, I DON'T HAVE ANY ITEMS.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ALL RIGHT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA
7 DOES NOT HAVE ANY ITEMS SHE'S HOLDING. SO, SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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9 **SUP. BURKE:** I MOVE THAT, WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
10 MEMORY OF LARRY GILBERT RODRIGUEZ AND SUPERVISOR KNABE IS
11 JOINING WITH ME. HE'S A WHITTIER RESIDENT AND A LONG- TIME
12 FRIEND OF MY SCHEDULER, LUPE KOREO, WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY
13 AT THE AGE OF 49. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY HIS WIFE,
14 MARTHA, DAUGHTER, ALEXIS, AND SONS, RYAN AND JUSTIN. AND DR.
15 ASA GRANT HILLIARD III, PREMIER SCHOLAR, RESEARCHER, EDUCATOR
16 AND AUTHOR WHO PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 12T AT THE AGE OF 73 IN
17 CAIRO, EGYPT. HE WAS AN EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST BUT DEDICATED
18 HIS LIFE TO IMPROVING TEACHING AND LEARNING METHODS FOR
19 CHILDREN. HE LEAVES TO CHERISH HIS MEMORY A HOST OF FAMILY AND
20 FRIENDS.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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24 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL CALL UP ITEM 31.

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1 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM 31, THE MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC DOES
2 NOT WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS ITEM, SO IT'S BEFORE YOUR BOARD.

3

4 **SUP. BURKE:** I'LL MOVE IT.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY BURKE, SECONDED BY
7 ANTONOVICH, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE ON ITEM 31.

8

9 **SUP. BURKE:** I DON'T HAVE ANY OTHER ITEMS.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE ONE ADJOURNING MOTION.
12 DIDN'T WE HAVE ONE FOR...

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** MR. CHAIRMAN? I JUST GOT AN ADJOURNMENT.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

17

18 **SUP. MOLINA:** I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF MARIA HICKS.
19 I JUST FOUND OUT THAT SHE DIED YESTERDAY FROM GUNSHOT WOUNDS
20 THAT SHE RECEIVED AFTER SHE WAS TRYING TO STOP SOME TAGGERS IN
21 THE SAN GABRIEL RIVER PARKWAY AT WOODRUFF STREET. THEY
22 FOLLOWED HER AND THEY SHOT HER IN THE BACK. IT'S JUST SO
23 TRAGIC. THIS WAS IN PICO RIVERA.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** VERY. SHE WAS A GREAT LADY. YEAH, I'LL JOIN IN BUT
2 SHE ALSO HAS OVERLAPPED FROM PICO INTO SOUTH WHITTIER AND SOME
3 OF THOSE AREAS. JUST A FANTASTIC LADY AND JUST AN ABSOLUTE
4 TRAGEDY.

5

6 **SUP. MOLINA:** UNBELIEVABLE. BUT, ANYWAY, IF WE COULD ADJOURN IN
7 HER MEMORY, I'M SURE THAT WE'D LIKE TO OFFER CONDOLENCES TO
8 HER FAMILY AS WELL.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE. I HAVE ONE
11 ADJOURNING MOTION. DUDLEY M. ADKINS, ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN
12 HIS MEMORY. HE PASSED AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 90. HE
13 RETIRED FROM THE LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT WHERE HE SERVED
14 FOR 32 YEARS. HE SPENT HIS TIME CAMPING AND HIKING WITH HIS
15 CHILDREN AND GRANDCHILDREN. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 68
16 YEARS, MARCELLA, FOUR CHILDREN, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN AND 14
17 GREAT- GRANDCHILDREN. HE WAS THE FATHER-IN-LAW TO STEVE
18 WHEATCROFT, SERGEANT AT ARMS FOR THE BOARD. ALL MEMBERS. ITEM
19 46-D, LET ME CALL THAT UP. I HAD AN AMENDING MOTION. LET ME
20 JUST READ IT. I CONCUR WITH THE MOTION, AS INTRODUCED BY
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, AND OFFER THIS AMENDMENT TO PROVIDE
22 ADDITIONAL BOARD DIRECTION IN IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS
23 MADE BY THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER IN HIS AUGUST 3RD, PHASE 1
24 REVIEW OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
25 PROCUREMENT PRACTICES. SPECIFICALLY, THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER



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1 MAKES THE FOLLOWING OBSERVATIONS: D.C.F.S. PROCUREMENT
2 PERSONNEL MANUALLY TRACK PURCHASES, SUPPLIES AND INVENTORY.
3 GIVEN THE SIZE OF THIS DEPARTMENT, MAINTAINING ACCURATE
4 RECORDS IS CHALLENGING WITH A MANUAL SYSTEM. UNDER THE CURRENT
5 ORGANIZATION STRUCTURE OF D.C.F.S., PROCUREMENT IS OVERSEEN BY
6 AN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES MANAGER 2, WHICH MAY NOT BE
7 SUFFICIENTLY HIGH LEVEL POSITION. CORPORATE EXPRESS, A
8 D.C.F.S. CONTRACTOR, MAY HAVE VIOLATED ITS COUNTY CONTRACT.
9 COUNTYWIDE, NOT ALL PROCUREMENT STAFF MAY BE KNOWLEDGEABLE
10 ABOUT COUNTY PURCHASING POLICIES AND GUIDELINES. FINALLY, THE
11 AUDITOR CONTROLLER STAFF CONCURS THAT PROCUREMENT IS ONE OF
12 THE AREAS WHERE FRAUD IS MOST FREQUENTLY IDENTIFIED WITHIN THE
13 COUNTY BUREAUCRACY. I THEREFORE MORE, AND THIS IS AN AMENDMENT
14 TO MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION, THAT, IN ADDITION TO THE
15 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER IN REVIEW OF
16 THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE D.C.F.S.
17 AND THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER AND INTERNAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT,
18 BE INSTRUCTED TO DO THE FOLLOWING. (1) THE C.E.O. AND D.C.F.S.
19 SHOULD DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING AN AUTOMATED
20 INVENTORY SYSTEM AND, AS PART OF THIS REVIEW, SHOULD
21 SPECIFICALLY EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF D.C.F.S. PARTICIPATION
22 IN THE E.C.A.P.S. PILOT TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN JULY OF NEXT YEAR
23 AND REPORT BACK IN 60 DAYS. (2) THE C.E.O. SHOULD EXAMINE THE
24 POSSIBILITY OF CREATING A PERMANENT A.S.M.-3 POSITION TO
25 OVERSEE D.C.F.S. PROCUREMENT AND REPORT BACK IN TIME FOR THE



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1 CONSIDERATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2007-2008 SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET
2 IN SEPTEMBER. (3) THE C.E.O. SHOULD WORK WITH D.C.F.S., I.S.D.
3 AND THE COUNTY COUNSEL TO DETERMINE POSSIBLE CONTRACT
4 VIOLATIONS BY CORPORATE EXPRESS AND TAKE LEGAL ACTION AS
5 NECESSARY. (4) THE C.E.O., I.S.D. AND AUDITOR CONTROLLER
6 SHOULD WORK TOGETHER TO CONDUCT A TRAINING PROGRAM WITHIN 120
7 DAYS AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER FOR ALL DEPARTMENT PROCUREMENT
8 EMPLOYEES, SUPERVISORS AND MANAGERS TO REINFORCE COUNTY
9 PROCUREMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES. AND (5) THE AUDITOR
10 CONTROLLER SHOULD ASSESS THE NEED TO CONDUCT SPECIALIZED
11 PROCUREMENT AUDITS OF COUNTY DEPARTMENTS AND REPORT BACK TO
12 THE AUDIT COMMITTEE 60 DAYS. THE AUDITOR CONTROLLER'S
13 ASSESSMENT SHOULD INCLUDE THE IDENTIFICATION OF DEPARTMENTS
14 WITH SIGNIFICANT PROCUREMENT RISKS, RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE
15 SCOPE AND FREQUENCY OF THESE AUDITS AND A PRIORITY LISTING OF
16 DEPARTMENTS TO BE AUDITED, BASED UPON SUCH FACTORS AS THE
17 AMOUNT AND NATURE OF PROCUREMENT TRANSACTIONS. MR. ANTONOVICH
18 SECONDS. ACCEPT THAT AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. WITHOUT
19 OBJECTION, THE AMENDMENT IS INCLUDED IN THE PACKAGE THAT'S
20 BEFORE US. WE HAVE PATRICIA MULCAHEY, WHO HAS ASKED TO BE
21 HEARD. TWO MINUTES TODAY. AND I'M GOING TO WARN YOU, MS.
22 MULCAHEY, TO COMPLY WITH THE DECORUM REQUIREMENTS OF THE BOARD
23 AND OF THIS BOARDROOM AND THEN YOU WILL HAVE NO PROBLEM.
24



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1 **PATRICIA MULCAHEY:** REQUESTED 46-D, I'M OPPOSED TO THAT.
2 REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS SHOULD NOT BE HELD BEHIND CLOSED
3 SESSION. _____ FOSTER WARDS WHO HAVE BEEN SEX
4 SEXUALLY ABUSED IN THE CARE OF THE D.C.F.S. IN FLORIDA AND
5 CALIFORNIA, WHO HAS SUFFERED RAPE, MOLESTATION, DEATH AND
6 STARVATION IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND FLORIDA. SUPERVISOR,
7 THIRD DISTRICT, YOU WERE THE ONE THAT HIRED ANITA BOCK FROM
8 FLORIDA TO CALIFORNIA. ALSO, I'M REQUESTING ABOUT THE
9 MISDIAGNOSIS OF CHILDREN THAT HAVE BEEN CLASSIFIED AS
10 HANDICAPPED THAT ARE TRULY NOT HANDICAPPED. SO THAT THE
11 D.C.F.S., FOSTER AGENCIES, REGIONAL CENTERS AND GROUP HOMES,
12 AGENCIES COULD GET THE HIGHER FEDERAL RATE. AND LET'S NOT
13 FORGET THOSE 11 FOSTER WARDS CHILDREN WHO WERE IN FLORIDA THAT
14 WERE TORTURED. AND, LIKE I SAID AGAIN, SUPERVISOR, THIRD
15 DISTRICT, YOU WERE THE ONE THAT HIRED ANITA BOCK FROM FLORIDA
16 TO CALIFORNIA. THERE'S NO JUSTICE. KIDS ARE STILL SUFFERING.
17 KIDS ARE STILL BEING ABUSED. IT'S REALLY BAD WHEN YOU HAVE TO
18 HIRE PRIVATE EYES TO GET INFORMATION AND WHEN THE PRIVATE EYE
19 INFORMED ME THAT MY DAUGHTER WAS SEXUALLY ABUSED BY AN ILLEGAL
20 ALIEN THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE D.C.F.S., I WAS BATTERED WHEN I
21 TRY TO GET DOCUMENTATION ON MY AUTISTIC SON THAT WAS ABUSED IN
22 THE COUNTY'S CARE IN FLORIDA BUT LET'S NOT FORGET THOSE LITTLE
23 FOSTER KIDS IN FLORIDA THAT WERE TORTURED. YOU SHOULD BE
24 ASHAMED OF YOURSELVES BECAUSE YOU WERE THE ONE THAT HIRED
25 ANITA BOCK TO THAT POSITION FROM FLORIDA TO CALIFORNIA,



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1 SUPERVISOR OF THE THIRD DISTRICT. YOU GOT PEOPLE THAT YOU
2 DON'T REALLY CARE. THESE CHILDREN ARE JUST A STATISTIC TO YOU.
3 THEY NEVER GET OVER THE SEXUAL ABUSE.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE THE ITEM IS
6 AMENDED BEFORE US, 46-D. MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. I'LL SECOND IT,
7 WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. 46-C WAS HELD BY SUPERVISOR
8 ANTONOVICH.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I HAVE AN AMENDMENT. DUE TO THE "TROUBLED"
11 DESIGNATION OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS
12 ANGELES SECTION 8 PROGRAM, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING
13 AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT HAD ASSIGNED A H.U.D. ADVISOR, SCHEDULED
14 TO BEGIN WORK ON AUGUST 22ND. THE ADVISOR'S DUTIES WILL
15 INCLUDE IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW MANAGEMENT PLANS OR CHANGES TO
16 EXISTING PLANS, CARRYING OUT ITEMS CONTAINED IN THE CORRECTIVE
17 ACTION PLAN, OVERSEEING GENERAL FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT FUNCTIONS
18 PERTAINING TO THE BUDGETING AND APPLYING FOR THE H.U.D. RULES.
19 I'D MOVE THAT THE BOARD COMMISSIONERS ALSO DIRECT THE HOUSING
20 AUTHORITY, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, TO REPORT AT THE AUGUST 21ST
21 BOARD MEETING CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS: WHY THE HOUSING
22 STAFF HAD BEEN UNABLE TO COMPLETE NEGOTIATIONS WITH H.U.D. AND
23 WHAT ARE YOUR OBJECTIONS TO THE CORRECTIVE ACTIONS PLAN? (2)
24 DID STAFF CONFIRM WITH H.U.D. OFFICIALS WHAT STEPS ARE
25 REQUIRED TO REMOVE THE "TROUBLED" DESIGNATION? (3) WHY DID



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1 STAFF WAIT UNTIL EARLY AUGUST TO INFORM THE BOARD OF
2 COMMISSIONERS ABOUT THE H.U.D. ADVISOR? AND (4) OF THE ROUGHLY
3 3,400 HOUSING AUTHORITIES IN THE NATION, HOW MANY HAVE THE
4 TROUBLED DESIGNATION AND HOW MANY HAS A H.U.D.-ASSIGNED
5 ADVISOR?

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'LL SECOND THAT WITHOUT
8 OBJECTION.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** WAIT, CAN I JUST, MR. CHAIRMAN? WELL, WE CAN GO
11 AHEAD AND MOVE IT. I JUST-- IS CARLOS AROUND? SOMEONE FROM THE
12 DEPARTMENT? I HAVE A QUESTION.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, HE'S OUT OF TOWN.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THERE SOMEBODY FROM THE DEPARTMENT HERE,
17 THOUGH? I MEAN, WHAT I WANT TO KNOW AND I'D LIKE TO GET IT ON
18 PUBLIC RECORD, IS WHEN THIS CORRECTIVE ACTION OR THE STATUS OF
19 THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN, WHAT IS THE STATUS? BECAUSE, AS I
20 UNDERSTAND IT, IT'S DUE IN A VERY SHORT PERIOD OF TIME BACK TO
21 H.U.D. CAN SOMEONE-- CAN YOU JUST GIVE US A STATUS OF THE
22 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN, WHERE WE'RE AT ON THAT?

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24 **BOBBETTE GLOVER:** YES, SUPERVISOR KNABE. H.U.D. HAS ASKED US TO
25 BE PREPARED TO SIGN THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN BY AUGUST 20TH.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S NEXT WEEK.

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4 **BOBBETTE GLOVER:** YES, IT IS. BUT WE HAVE A MEETING SCHEDULED
5 WITH THEM FOR THIS COMING THURSDAY SO WE MAY BE ABLE TO WORK
6 WITH THEM AND NEGOTIATE A DATE THAT'S A LITTLE FURTHER OUT.
7 WE'RE HOPING THAT WE CAN.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, WHERE IS IT? I MEAN, WE'RE NOT DONE YET WITH
10 THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN?

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12 **BOBBETTE GLOVER:** NO. THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN INCLUDES A
13 NUMBER OF THE IMPROVEMENTS THAT WE'VE ALREADY IMPLEMENTED. BUT
14 THIS IS H.U.D.'S FORMAL PLAN THAT THEY REQUIRE THE HOUSING
15 AUTHORITY TO EXECUTE.

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, IF YOU'RE NOT SUCCESSFUL, I MEAN, I WOULD
18 LIKE-- THEN MAYBE WE CAN ADD TO THIS MOTION, ZEV, TO GET A
19 STATUS REPORT ON THIS CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN BY NEXT TUESDAY
20 BECAUSE, IF YOU'RE NOT SUCCESSFUL THURSDAY, I MEAN, IT DOESN'T
21 HAVE TO BE LENGTHY BUT JUST TELL US WHERE WE'RE AT BECAUSE, IF
22 YOU DON'T GET THE EXTENSION, I MEAN, DOESN'T IT HAVE TO BE
23 BOARD APPROVED?

24



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1 **BOBBETTE GLOVER:** YES. AND THAT'S WHY WE CANNOT SIGN IT ON THIS
2 COMING THURSDAY. WE WOULD ASK THAT H.U.D. ALLOW US TO GO
3 THROUGH THE FORMAL PUBLIC NOTICE PROCESS, AS WELL AS BRING IT
4 TO THE BOARD FOR APPROVAL.

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** WELL, I THINK WE'RE ALL ANXIOUS FOR THAT AND I
7 THINK WE'RE DISAPPOINTED THAT IT'S NOT READY BECAUSE IT'S NOT
8 SOMETHING THAT HASN'T BEEN THERE.

9

10 **BOBBETTE GLOVER:** THE DOCUMENT IS READY, SUPERVISOR, BUT WE
11 HAVE NOT SAT DOWN WITH H.U.D. TO MAKE THE FINAL DETERMINATION
12 ON IT.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO DO YOU WANT TO...

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I MEAN, WE'LL GO AHEAD WITH THE MOTION BUT I'D
19 LIKE, BY NEXT TUESDAY, LET US KNOW WHERE WE'RE AT ON THIS
20 THING.

21

22 **BOBBETTE GLOVER:** YES, WE WILL DO THAT.

23



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SO YOU'LL BRING US, IN
2 ADDITION TO WHAT MR. ANTONOVICH'S MOTION ASKED FOR, YOU'LL BE
3 ABLE TO SPEAK TO WHAT MR. KNABE IS ASKING FOR NEXT WEEK?

4

5 **BOBBETTE GLOVER:** YES, WE WILL.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. WITH THAT
8 UNDERSTANDING, WE HAVE THE ITEM BEFORE US. WE HAVE ONE PERSON
9 WHO WANTS TO BE HEARD ON THIS? TERRY WILBURN?

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** C.E.O. NEEDS TO REVIEW THIS, AS WELL, RIGHT?
12 YOU'RE INVOLVED?

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, THEY'RE INVOLVED. I SPOKE TO
15 MR. FUJIOKA ABOUT THAT YESTERDAY, ACTUALLY, I THINK YOU'RE ON
16 TOP OF IT. MR. WILBURN, HAVE A SEAT. NO CHAIRS?

17

18 **TERRY WILBURN:** MAY I GRAB ONE?

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, YOU MAY. JUST DON'T HURT
21 YOURSELF.

22

23 **TERRY WILBURN:** FROM MY UNDERSTANDING, THE SECTION 8 PROGRAM
24 HAS BEEN ALTERED. AND, IN DOING SO, THROUGHOUT THE CONCEPT OF
25 THE H.U.D. PROGRAM THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES AND THE U.S.



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1 DEPARTMENT FOR HOUSING AND THE DEVELOPMENT, IT HAS USED ITS
2 FUNDING AND ITS CATEGORY WHERE THEY HAVE BEEN ALTERING RECORDS
3 TO DEVELOP HOMES AND THINGS TO THAT NATURE OR-- LIKE, FOR
4 EXAMPLE, LANCASTER. I WAS WORKING WITH A YOUNG LADY WHO WAS IN
5 INGLEWOOD, MAY STANFORD, AND SHE WORKED FOR RATE-- HER NAME IS
6 STANFORD. SHE WAS WORKING WITH SECTION 8. BUT, SINCE THEN,
7 BECAUSE OF THE DEVELOPMENT THAT WE WAS WORKING ON IN
8 LANCASTER, THEY HAD BEEN SEVERAL ALTERING RECORDS AND PEOPLE
9 HAVE BEEN-- NORTH KOREANS, BASED ON WAR OR BASED ON HOUSING
10 BECAUSE IT'S NOT JUST IN THE UNITED STATES, IT'S IN ALL
11 COUNTRIES, OKAY? AND WE DEVELOPED A PARTNERSHIP IN THE
12 NATIONAL TRADE FOR HOUSING BUT YET IT HAS BEEN DEVELOPED TO
13 ALTER CERTAIN AVENUES WITHIN, LIKE I EXPRESSED THE SECTION 8
14 IN HAWTHORNE. I APPLIED FOR IT IN HAWTHORNE WHERE THEY
15 WITHHOLD EVIDENCE AND I THINK WITH MAXINE WATERS WHO IS
16 WORKING WITH HOUSING, WITH THE MAYOR AT THAT TIME, WITH THE
17 HOUSING. JUST A LITTLE BIT MORE, AS WELL AS INGLEWOOD. AS WELL
18 AS YOLANDA BURKE HAS BEEN ALTERING THE INFORMATION AND TAKING
19 THINGS TO KEEP FOR THEMSELVES. THAT'S ALL I HAVE TO SAY ABOUT--
20 - THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. WILBURN. ALL RIGHT.
23 NO ONE ELSE WISHING TO BE HEARD. THE ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED,
24 SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE, AS AMENDED. ITEM
25 45, WE HAD A REPORT, MR. FUJIOKA. I THINK THIS IS READY TO BE



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1 RECEIVED AND FILED. WE HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO WANT TO BE
2 HEARD ON THIS. LET ME CALL ON THEM AT THIS TIME, JUDY ALTER,
3 ALL THREE COME DOWN, MICHAEL J. MILTENBERG AND RICO ROSS. ARE
4 THEY HERE? ARE THEY NOT HERE? OKAY. SORRY ABOUT THAT. CAN WE
5 GET THEM? ALL RIGHT. MR. MILTENBERG.

6

7 **MICHAEL JAY MILTENBERG:** IF I COULD ASK MR. ROSS TO GO FIRST?
8 MS. FORD IS JUST OUT OF THE ROOM. I'M GOING TO CALL HER AND
9 TELL HER.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S FINE. MR. ROSS, YOU'RE ON.
12 ARE YOU READY?

13

14 **RICO ROSS:** JUST A SECOND. YES, THANK YOU.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

17

18 **RICO ROSS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR GIVING ME THIS TIME TO
19 SPEAK. I AM AWARE THAT, EACH AND EVERY DAY, THE WORK THAT YOU
20 DO HERE IS OF GREAT IMPORTANCE AND WE APPRECIATE THAT.
21 HOWEVER, I FEEL THAT WHAT WE ARE ABOUT TO TALK ABOUT, MYSELF
22 AND MY COLLEAGUES, IS OF THE MOST IMPORTANT-- IS ONE OF THE
23 MOST IMPORTANT ISSUES OUR COUNTRY HAS TO DEAL WITH TODAY. MORE
24 IMPORTANT THAN THE MEDIA, MORE IMPORTANT THAN THE WAR ON
25 TERROR, MORE IMPORTANT THAN MOST THINGS BECAUSE, IF WE DON'T



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1 GET THIS RIGHT, EVERYTHING ELSE IS A MOOT POINT. AND MY ISSUE
2 IS THE VOTING MACHINES AND TRYING TO FIND A WAY THAT WE CAN
3 BRING INTEGRITY, CONFIDENCE BACK INTO THE VOTING ISSUE. THERE
4 IS A STATEMENT I'D LIKE TO READ HERE. AT A STUNNING RATE OF
5 92% OF AMERICANS INSIST ON THE RIGHT TO WATCH THEIR VOTE BEING
6 COUNTED. IN AN OVERWHELMING 80%, THEY STRONGLY OBJECT TO THE
7 USE OF SECRET COMPUTERS, SOFTWARE THAT TABULATES VOTES WITHOUT
8 CITIZENS' ACCESS TO THE SOFTWARE. I THINK IT IS EXTREMELY
9 IMPORTANT THAT, IF WE CAN SOMEHOW FIND A WAY THAT WE CAN GET
10 BACK TO SOMETHING THAT PEOPLE CAN HAVE CONFIDENCE IN. BECAUSE
11 THIS, IN ITSELF, IS CAUSING PEOPLE TO STAY HOME. IF THEY CAN
12 HAVE 80% OF VOTERS TURN OUT IN IRAQ AND WE CAN'T GET 50% HERE
13 IN AMERICA, THERE IS A REASON FOR THAT. I THINK THAT WE ARE
14 SPENDING A GREAT DEAL OF TIME TRYING TO REINVENT THE WHEEL,
15 SO TO SPEAK. I THINK THESE MACHINES ARE EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE
16 AND INEFFECTIVE. IT IS PROVEN BY WHAT HAPPENED IN FLORIDA,
17 WHEN OVER 50,000 BLACK VOTES WERE THROWN OUT AND WE NOW KNOW
18 THAT THEY WERE WRONG WRONGLY THROWN OUT AND OVER 100,000 VOTES
19 IN FLORIDA, AS WELL, WERE THROWN OUT, FOR OTHER REASONS THAT
20 WE NOW FIND WERE WRONG AND THEY WERE ALL RELATED TO THE
21 MACHINES. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR THE TIME.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MR. ROSS. MR.
24 MILTENBERG, DO YOU WANT TO GRAB A SEAT, YOU CAN. WHICHEVER ONE
25 OF YOU WANT TO GO FIRST, THAT'S YOUR CHOICE.



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2 **MICHAEL JAY MILTENBERG:** EXCUSE ME, THANK YOU. HELLO,
3 SUPERVISORS. I'M ONE OF THE KEY AUTHORS OF THE LETTER THAT WAS
4 DELIVERED TO YOU LAST WEEK, WHICH LOOKED LIKE THIS, FROM
5 PROGRESSIVE DEMOCRATS OF AMERICA. I HOPE YOU SAW IT. BETTER, I
6 HOPE YOU READ IT. IT HAS A KEY ATTACHED AT THE TOP. I DON'T
7 KNOW IF I CAN ASK QUESTIONS HERE, BUT HOPEFULLY DO YOU KNOW
8 WHAT THAT KEY?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NO, YOU CAN'T ASK QUESTIONS.

11

12 **MICHAEL JAY MILTENBERG:** THANK YOU. I'M ASKING A RHETORICAL
13 QUESTION. THE KEY IS ON HERE BECAUSE IT'S A MINI BAR KEY, TYPE
14 OF KEY THAT YOU COULD USE TO OPEN A MINI BAR THAT I BOUGHT IN
15 MY HARDWARE STORE. IF YOU READ THIS AND IF YOU'RE LISTENING,
16 YOU KNOW THAT THIS KIND OF GENERIC KEY CAN BE USED TO OPEN A
17 DIEBOLD T.S.X. MACHINE AS SEEN AND CONFIRMED BY PRINCETON
18 UNIVERSITY. I WANT TO PLAY THIS FOR YOU.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HOLD HIS TIME.

21

22 **MICHAEL JAY MILTENBERG:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. THIS IS FROM
23 PRINCETON UNIVERSITY.

24



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1 **SPEAKER:** ...YOU CAN CONSISTENTLY PICK THE LOCK IN LESS THAN 10
2 SECONDS.

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4 **MICHAEL JAY MILTENBERG:** NOW, I'VE BEEN COMING HERE FOR 2-1/2
5 YEARS. 2-1/2 YEARS AGO, WHEN I FELT I KNEW NEXT TO NOTHING
6 ABOUT THIS ISSUE, I ALREADY SAID THAT DIEBOLD'S NAME WAS MUD
7 JUST FROM WHAT I KNEW FROM READING GENERAL PAPERS AND I HOPE
8 THAT YOU WOULD KNOW THE SAME. IN THE LAST YEAR, MY OPINION HAS
9 BEEN CONFIRMED ABOUT THE VULNERABILITIES OF ELECTRONIC VOTING
10 AND OUR TRUST IN THEM. THOSE SUSPICIONS HAVE BEEN CONFIRMED BY
11 PRINCETON UNIVERSITY. SUPERVISORS, THAT STILL WASN'T ENOUGH
12 FOR YOU. NOW, THIS MONTH, THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
13 CONFIRMED WHAT WE BELIEVE. WE WHO HAVE BEEN CALLED PARANOID BY
14 SUCH PEOPLE AS OUR COUNTY REGISTRAR OF VOTERS. WE ARE NOT
15 PARANOID AND I REALLY NEED YOU TO START LISTENING TO ME
16 FINALLY WHEN WE'VE BEEN CONFIRMED AND VALIDATED BY PRINCETON
17 UNIVERSITY AND THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA. IT'S TIME FOR YOU
18 TO REALIZE YOU NEED TO PAY MORE ATTENTION TO THE ACTIVISTS WHO
19 HAVE BEEN TELLING YOU THIS AND ONE OF THOSE IS SECRETARY OF
20 STATE DEBRA BOWEN AND LESS TO OUR REGISTRAR. I'D ALSO LIKE TO
21 BRING INTO THE RECORD THE FACT THAT CITIZEN ACTIVISTS
22 MONITORED THE POLLS LAST NOVEMBER. HUNDREDS OF THEM. AND, IN
23 300 INCIDENTS, WE FOUND THAT THE P.B.R.S, THE PRECINCT BALLOT
24 RECORDERS, WHO HAD BEEN INTENDED TO BE USED FOR ENTIRE VOTING
25 AND FOR TALLIES, THEY DID NOT GO SWIMMINGLY AS WAS PORTRAYED.



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1 33% OF THEM FAILED. I HAVE ALL THE RECORDS HERE IF YOU'D LIKE
2 TO SEE THEM. WE HAVE 300. MS. ALTER HAS A PACKAGE HERE WITH
3 200. HERE ARE ANOTHER 100 FILED BY SCORES OF CITIZENS THAT
4 WATCHED THESE POLLS, WATCHED THE RESULTS AND SAW, AS I SAID,
5 IT WAS NOT AS PORTRAYED.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MS. ALTER? THANK YOU.

8

9 **MICHAEL JAY MILTENBERG:** THANK YOU.

10

11 **JUDY ALTER:** THANK YOU FOR LISTENING TO US FOR THIS ISSUE. I'M
12 PRESENTING TO ALL OF YOU AGAIN A PACKET OF PETITIONS FOR HAND
13 COUNTED PAPER BALLOTS SIGNED BY ALMOST 1,900 SIGNATURES. I'M
14 ALSO GIVING YOU THE TESTIMONY I PRESENTED ON THE 30TH OF JULY
15 ANALYZING, IN DEPTH, ABOUT 1/3 OF THE REPORTS THAT MICHAEL JAY
16 JUST DESCRIBED TO YOU. IN 1/3 OF THEM, 50 PERCENT OF THEM
17 FAILED. THE PRECINCT-BASED SCANNERS JAMMED, THEY DIDN'T BOOT
18 UP. WHEN THEY WERE ASKED TO BE REPLACED, TWO OF THEM WORKED
19 AND TWO OF THEM DID NOT WORK. AS A RESULT OF THOSE MECHANICAL
20 PROBLEMS, POLLWORKERS ACTUALLY EITHER GAVE VOTERS PROVISIONAL
21 BALLOTS, WHICH IS WRONG, INSTEAD OF-- OR THEY PUT THE BALLOTS
22 ON THE FLOOR INSTEAD OF JUST PUTTING THEM IN THE BOX. THE
23 SOFTWARE PROBLEMS WITH THESE SAME MACHINES WERE THEY DIDN'T
24 BOOT UP. THEY DIDN'T PRINT OUT. THERE IS ZERO TAPE. THEY GAVE
25 FIRST AN ERROR MESSAGE AND THEN, WHEN A POLLWORKER PUT THE



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1 BALLOT BACK IN, THEY SAID IT WAS OKAY. THE ERROR MESSAGES WERE
2 SO FREQUENTLY POPPING UP THAT SOME POLLWORKERS JUST OVERRODE
3 ALL THE ERROR MESSAGES. THESE HAVE A WIRELESS CAPACITY IN THEM
4 AND, IN ALL OF DEBRA BOWEN'S TOP TO BOTTOM REVIEW DOCUMENTS,
5 THAT IS NOT ALLOWED AT ALL IN ANY MACHINE. AND, IN THE
6 PRECINCT BASED SCANNERS, YOU CAN'T EVEN TELL IF IT'S ON. SO WE
7 RECOMMEND THAT WE STOP USING THEM. THE A.D.A. PART OF THAT
8 SYSTEM TOOK A HALF HOUR IN ONE BLIND VOTER VOTED ON IT. IT
9 DIDN'T PRINT OUT A BALLOT AND SHE HAD TO START AGAIN WITH
10 ASSISTANCE AND THE LANGUAGE CHALLENGED PEOPLE USED THEIR
11 CHILDREN TO HELP RATHER THAN USE THOSE MACHINES. WE REALLY
12 RECOMMEND AGAINST THEM AND TO SAVE THE MONEY THAT MISS
13 MCCORMACK WAS SO CONCERNED ABOUT WITH DIEBOLD, JUST STOP USING
14 EARLY VOTING. IT'S UNNECESSARY. IT'S A VERSION OF ABSENTEE
15 BALLOTING THEN WE WOULDN'T HAVE DIEBOLD IN THE COUNTY AT ALL.
16 WE DON'T NEED IT. AND WE DON'T WANT M.T.S. REPLACED WITH GEMS
17 II, WHICH IS YET TO BE CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA. PART OF WHAT
18 I'M GIVING YOU IS A LETTER FROM MS. MCCORMICK ACKNOWLEDGING
19 THAT THE M.T.S. SYSTEM THAT WE USE HERE HAS NEVER BEEN
20 FEDERALLY CERTIFIED. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. THAT
23 CONCLUDES THE PUBLIC HEARING AND WE ARE WORKING WITH THE
24 SECRETARY OF STATE'S OFFICE TO ENSURE THAT WE ARE IN
25 COMPLIANCE WITH HER DIRECTIVES. I THINK, SO FAR, THE



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1 COLLABORATIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND HER
2 OFFICE HAS BEEN GOOD. SO WE EXPECT WE WILL BE ON THE SAME PAGE
3 WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

4

5 **MICHAEL JAY MILTENBERG:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IS CONNY HERE?

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I BELIEVE SHE IS. MR. FUJIOKA?

10

11 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** COULD I MAKE A REAL QUICK COMMENT? YES, SIR. I
12 HAD ASKED IF WE CAN RECEIVE AND FILE THIS BECAUSE WE DID SEND
13 A LETTER TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE STATING OUR FULL INTENT TO
14 COOPERATE WITH HER OFFICE, TO WORK TOGETHER WITH HER TO
15 ACHIEVE A SOLUTION TO ENSURE THAT OUR VOTING SYSTEMS MEET THE
16 STANDARDS THAT SHE'S ESTABLISHING. WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF
17 DOING THAT. I THOUGHT, AT THIS POINT, IT WOULD BE BEST TO JUST
18 MOVE FORWARD, WE RECEIVE AND FILE THE REPORT BUT CONTINUE WITH
19 THE BOARD'S DIRECTION TO ENSURE THAT WE DO DEVELOP A SOLUTION
20 IN CONCERT WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE. I THINK, RIGHT NOW, IT
21 WOULD BE BEST IF WE JUST MOVE FORWARD.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE RECOMMENDATION IN HER MEMO IS THAT WE
24 TAKE-- IT SAYS-- "THE RECOMMENDATION IS TO CONTINUE TO SERVE
25 THE ELECTORATE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY BY OFFERING THIS POPULAR



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1 PROGRAM FOR THE FEBRUARY 5TH PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION.
2 FOLLOWING THE ELECTION, ASSESS THE OPERATIONAL CHALLENGES,
3 COSTS AND CONSEQUENCES TO SUSTAIN THIS OPTION FOR THE COUNTY'S
4 VOTERS IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE JUNE 3RD, 2008 AND NOVEMBER
5 4TH, 2008 ELECTION." SO THAT'S WHAT WE'RE RECOMMENDING?

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WHAT WE'RE RECOMMENDING RIGHT NOW IS TO ENSURE
8 THAT OUR VOTING SYSTEMS ARE PROPERLY CERTIFIED BY THE
9 SECRETARY OF STATE AND WE MADE A COMMITMENT, IN AN EARLIER
10 LETTER TO HER OFFICE, THAT WE WOULD WORK CLOSELY WITH THE
11 OFFICE TO ACHIEVE THAT GOAL. SO WE ARE DOING THAT RIGHT NOW.

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO WE KNOW WHAT THE COST IS FOR THE COUNTY?

14

15 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THERE WILL BE SUBSEQUENT REPORTS THAT WILL
16 COME BACK THAT WILL ADDRESS THE COST ELEMENTS AS A CONSEQUENCE
17 OF WHATEVER WE IMPLEMENT TO ENSURE OUR SYSTEMS ARE CERTIFIED.
18 WE WILL BE REPORTING BACK TO THIS BOARD.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BUT WILL THE COUNTY HAVE TO ASSUME THOSE
21 COSTS OR IS THE STATE GOING TO REIMBURSE US?

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** AT THIS POINT IN TIME, IT'S TOO EARLY BECAUSE
24 OUR MAIN FOCUS IS TO ENSURE WE HAVE APPROPRIATE SYSTEMS TO



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1 HANDLE OUR ELECTIONS. WE WILL COME BACK TO YOU AND TELL YOU
2 THE EXACT COSTS FOR ALL FUTURE ACTIONS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** DO WE KNOW WHO WOULD PAY FOR THE MANUAL COUNT
5 IF THE VENDOR SIMPLY REFUSES TO REIMBURSE THE COUNTY?

6

7 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE DON'T KNOW THAT RIGHT NOW.

8

9 **JUDY ALTER:** WE COULD GET YOU HUNDREDS OF VOLUNTEERS.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** EXCUSE ME. I THINK YOU SHOULD--
12 YOU'RE DONE. SO, PLEASE. THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.

13

14 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** WE DON'T HAVE THAT RIGHT NOW. WE KNOW WHAT
15 POSITION THE SECRETARY OF STATE HAS TAKEN. THAT WOULD BE
16 ANOTHER ISSUE THAT WE INTEND TO ADDRESS FOR YOU.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO ARE WE COMMITTING OURSELVES TO AN UNKNOWN
19 COST OR...?

20

21 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** OH, NO, ABSOLUTELY NOT. BY RECEIVING AND
22 FILING, IT IS OUR CLEAR UNDERSTANDING THAT YOU EXPECT US TO
23 COME BACK SHORTLY WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ONCE WE WORK OUT
24 A PLAN WITH THE SECRETARY OF STATE. WE UNDERSTAND THAT.

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WHAT WE'RE DOING IS RECEIVING AND FILING
2 WITH THE RECOMMENDATIONS IN ONGOING DELIBERATIONS WITH THE
3 SECRETARY OF STATE.

4

5 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES. WE UNDERSTAND...

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THEN COMING BACK TO THE BOARD FOR ACTION?

8

9 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** YES, SIR.

10

11 **SUP. BURKE:** WE HAVEN'T RECEIVED THE CONDITIONS YET.

12

13 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** NO, WE HAVE NOT. ONCE WE HAVE THAT, WE WILL
14 COME BACK TO THE BOARD. WE'LL HAVE A FULL REPORT AND WE'LL
15 TELL YOU EXACTLY WHAT IS NEEDED TO ENSURE OUR SYSTEMS ARE
16 PROPERLY CERTIFIED.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, BURKE MOVES,
21 ANTONOVICH SECONDS. REPORT WILL BE RECEIVED AND FILED.

22

23 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** THANK YOU.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WAS 45.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT WAS 44.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HUH?

5

6 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THAT WAS 44.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 44, I'M SORRY. NO, IT WAS 45.

9

10 **SUP. BURKE:** 45.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN WE TAKE UP 44 VERY QUICKLY? IS
13 DR. CHERNOF HERE?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** PRIOR TO THAT, COULD WE TAKE UP ITEM-- WE'VE GOT
16 SOME FOLKS HERE ON ITEM 9, IT WON'T TAKE UP VERY LONG.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SURE. ALL RIGHT. WHY DON'T WE DO
19 THAT? DON, YOU WANT TO JUST...

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** I'M GOING TO ASK, I BELIEVE THAT DARREN DUNAWAY,
22 FROM HUMAN SERVICES ASSOCIATION, KIRK KAIN FROM S.A.S.F.A. AND
23 DAN HICKLING FROM SAN GABRIEL VALLEY Y.M.C.A. ARE HERE TO JUST
24 BRIEFLY SHARE SOME OF THE THOUGHTS AND SOME OF THE CONCERNS
25 THAT SOME OF OUR PROVIDERS ARE HAVING AND WHAT WAS THE IMPETUS



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1 FOR MY MOTION HERE BEFORE US TODAY. SO IF YOU WOULD BRIEFLY
2 JUST SHARE SOME QUICK THOUGHTS WITH US ABOUT SOME OF THE
3 ISSUES YOU'RE HAVING, WE'D APPRECIATE IT.

4

5 **DARREN DUNAWAY:** SURE. MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
6 THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME TODAY. MY NAME'S DARREN DUNAWAY,
7 ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES ASSOCIATION, A NONPROFIT
8 CONTRACTOR WITH THE COUNTY FOR OVER 30 YEARS. THE HUMAN
9 SERVICES ASSOCIATION PROVIDES 1,800 MEALS EVERY DAY TO SENIOR
10 CITIZENS IN DISTRICTS 1, 2 AND 4. I'M HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT
11 THIS MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR A FEW CRITICAL REASONS.
12 ALTHOUGH COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES STAFF HAVE WORKED VERY
13 HARD TO MEET THE NEEDS OF THIS EMERGING SENIOR POPULATION,
14 MECHANISMS ARE NOT IN PLACE TO MEET THE CURRENT DEMAND. THE
15 STAKEHOLDER WORKGROUP WILL HELP TO CREATE WORKING SOLUTIONS
16 FOR LONG-TERM SUCCESS IN SERVING ALL SENIORS IN L.A. COUNTY. A
17 STAKEHOLDER WORKGROUP WILL STRENGTHEN THE LONG-TERM
18 RELATIONSHIP AND PARTNERSHIP AGENCIES HAVE WITH DEPARTMENT
19 STAFF AND WILL CULTIVATE A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF AGENCIES'
20 NEEDS, AS WELL AS THE COUNTY'S NEEDS WHEN CREATING CONTRACTS
21 AND TIMELINES. NEW DEMANDS AND COMPLEX ISSUES WILL FORCE US
22 TO, TOGETHER, COME UP WITH STRATEGIES FOR ACHIEVING FUNDING
23 INCREASES FROM THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT AND LOOK AT
24 BETTER WAYS TO LEVERAGE FUNDING TO SERVE ISOLATED SENIORS,
25 WHILE UNDERSTANDING THE NEED FOR NONPROFITS TO MAINTAIN A



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1 STRONG FISCAL FOOTING. A WORKGROUP WILL STRENGTHEN OUR
2 KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING OF THE CREATION OF MECHANISMS FOR
3 RATE ADJUSTMENTS. AS FOOD, GAS AND STAFFING COSTS HAVE RISEN
4 DRAMATICALLY, OUR RATES HAVE REMAINED FROZEN, PUTTING MANY
5 CONTRACTORS IN FISCAL TROUBLE. CONSTANT COMMUNICATION VIA THE
6 STAKEHOLDER DIRECTIVE WILL FOSTER A BETTER WAY OF DOING
7 BUSINESS AND ASSIST SERVICE PROVIDERS TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
8 EXCELLENT SERVICES TO OUR FRAIL AND ISOLATED SENIOR CITIZENS.
9 ALL SERVICE PROVIDERS IN L.A. COUNTY THANK YOU FOR YOUR
10 SUPPORT AND LOOK FORWARD TO THIS CONTINUED SUCCESS AS SERVICE
11 PARTNERS AND AS BUSINESS PARTNERS IN SERVING LOS ANGELES
12 COUNTY SENIORS WITH THE BEST POSSIBLE SERVICES.

13
14 **KIRK KAIN:** MY NAME IS KIRK KAIN. I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
15 FOR S.A.S.F.A. AND I ALSO WANT TO THANK THE BOARD OF
16 SUPERVISORS AND SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK THIS
17 MORNING ON BEHALF OF THIS MOTION. S.A.S.F.A. HAS ALSO BEEN IN
18 THE COMMUNITY AND A CONTRACTOR WITH THE COUNTY FOR ABOUT 25
19 YEARS. WE'RE IN DISTRICTS 1 AND 4. WE SERVE ABOUT 69,260
20 CONGREGATE MEALS A YEAR. LAST YEAR, WE ALSO SERVED 45,333
21 HOME-DELIVERED MEALS AND THESE ARE TO SENIORS IN THE COMMUNITY
22 WHO ARE ONE OF THE MOST FRAIL POPULATIONS. SO IT'S A CRITICAL
23 SERVICE THAT KEEPS THEM INDEPENDENT AND ACTIVE IN THEIR HOME
24 AND IN THE COMMUNITY. AND I JUST WANT TO ECHO SOME OF MY
25 COLLEAGUE'S COMMENTS HERE THAT WE DO HAVE A GOOD POSITIVE



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1 WORKING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE COUNTY AND WE DO SEE THIS MOTION
2 AS A WAY TO STRENGTHEN THAT AND TO ALSO PROVIDE AN OPPORTUNITY
3 FOR THE PROVIDERS TO PROVIDE INPUT TO MAKE THE SYSTEM EVEN
4 BETTER AND TO HELP CONTINUE TO SERVE THOSE SENIORS THAT WE'RE
5 ALL CONCERNED ABOUT. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME
6 TODAY.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU BOTH FOR COMING DOWN. CYNTHIA, IF YOU
11 COULD JUST COME UP QUICKLY, MAYBE.

12

13 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES, SUPERVISOR.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, CYNTHIA, IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT YOUR
16 STAFF HAS IN CONTACT WITH THESE VARIOUS PROVIDERS TO ENSURE
17 THAT ALL THE NECESSARY PAPERWORK TO COMPLETE THIS CONTRACT
18 PROCESS IS PROVIDED IN A TIMELY MANNER, IS THAT CORRECT?

19

20 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** YES, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THEM.

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** WHAT ABOUT THE ISSUE OF TIMELY PAYMENTS? THERE WAS
23 A DATE, SOMETHING LIKE SEPTEMBER 15TH, TO MAKE EVERYTHING
24 CURRENT. IS THAT THE GOAL?

25



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1 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** THAT IS DEFINITELY THE GOAL. WE ARE TALKING
2 ABOUT PAYMENTS FOR SERVICE THAT WAS PROVIDED IN THE MONTH OF
3 JULY. ALL CONTRACTORS THAT HAVE SUBMITTED THEIR PAPERWORK FOR
4 THE SERVICES DELIVERED DURING THE MONTH OF JUNE HAVE BEEN
5 PAID. SO WE ARE WORKING TO ALLOW FOR PAYMENT FOR THE SERVICES
6 PROVIDED IN JULY BY NO LATER THAN SEPTEMBER THE 15TH.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I APPRECIATE ALL THE HARD WORK BUT I THINK IT'S
9 REALLY IMPORTANT TO INCLUDE THE INPUT OF THE PROVIDERS BECAUSE
10 WE'RE AT SOME SORT OF CRITICAL JUNCTURE OUT THERE AND,
11 OBVIOUSLY, THE SENIOR MEALS PROGRAM IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND
12 THE HOT MEALS PROGRAM. SO, HOPEFULLY, NOW, AS YOU CONTINUE TO
13 WORK THROUGH THIS PROCESS AND CLEAR EVERYTHING UP, THAT YOU AT
14 LEAST TAKE THE INPUT OF THE PROVIDERS, WE'D APPRECIATE IT.

15

16 **CYNTHIA BANKS:** I AGREE WITH YOU, SUPERVISOR. THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU. I MOVE THE MOTION.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED ITEM NUMBER 9 BY KNABE,
21 SECONDED BY MOLINA, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. DR.
22 CHERNOF? THERE MAY BE SOME OTHER QUESTIONS BUT THE QUESTION I
23 WANTED TO FOCUS ON WAS A QUESTION THAT CAME UP YESTERDAY
24 RELATING TO THE ASSERTIONS MADE BY MANY OF THE HOSPITALS WHO
25 CAME HERE THAT THEY HAD A HUGE SPIKE IN AMBULANCE TRAFFIC AS A



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1 RESULT OF THE CLOSURE OF THE EMERGENCY ROOM AT KING-HARBOR
2 HOSPITAL ON FRIDAY NIGHT. AND I ASKED YOU IF YOU COULD, AND
3 CAROL MEYER IN OUR E.M.S. AGENCY, COULD ASCERTAIN EXACTLY WHAT
4 THE FACTS WERE SO THAT WE COULD UNDERSTAND NOT ONLY
5 ANECDOTALLY BUT FACTUALLY WHAT EXACTLY HAD TRANSPIRED. HAVE
6 YOU BEEN ABLE TO MAKE THAT ASCERTAINMENT?

7

8 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE GOOD PRELIMINARY DATA
9 WHICH I'M GLAD TO PRESENT TO YOU TODAY AND WE WILL BE
10 PRESENTING REGULAR REPORTS BASED ON YOUR REQUESTS LAST WEEK.
11 I'M GOING TO ASK CAROL TO TAKE US THROUGH THAT DATA, PLEASE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S FINE, CAROL, THANK YOU.

14

15 **CAROL MEYER:** SURE. WE ACTUALLY HAD TO CONTACT THE HOSPITALS TO
16 GET THIS DATA SO IT'S HOSPITAL-REPORTED DATA BUT IT'S
17 AUDITABLE BASED ON LOGS. OF THE NINE HOSPITALS, THE TOTAL
18 INCREASE IN PATIENTS BROUGHT BY 9-1-1 ON SATURDAY FOR NINE
19 HOSPITALS WAS 19 PATIENTS. ON SUNDAY, IT WAS AN INCREASE OF 30
20 PATIENTS AT THE NINE HOSPITALS. CENTINELA HOSPITAL HAD AN
21 INCREASE OF FOUR PATIENTS ON SATURDAY AND A DECREASE OF FOUR
22 PATIENTS ON SUNDAY, BASED ON A COMPARISON TO THEIR NORMAL
23 SATURDAY AND SUNDAY...

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M SORRY, FOUR? AN INCREASE OF
2 FOUR ON SATURDAY AND A DECREASE OF HOW MANY?

3

4 **CAROL MEYER:** FOUR ON SUNDAY.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ON SUNDAY. AND A DECREASE, YOU
7 MEAN, OFF THEIR NORM?

8

9 **CAROL MEYER:** YES, THAT'S CORRECT.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

12

13 **CAROL MEYER:** CALIFORNIA HOSPITAL HAD AN INCREASE OF ONE
14 PATIENT ON SATURDAY AND AN INCREASE OF THREE PATIENTS ON
15 SUNDAY. WHITE MEMORIAL HAD AN INCREASE OF TWO PATIENTS ON
16 SATURDAY AND A DECREASE FROM THEIR NORMAL ON SUNDAY OF ONE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THIS IS THE SAME WHITE MEMORIAL
19 THAT YESTERDAY SAID THAT THEY HAD AN AVERAGE INCREASE DUE TO
20 MARTIN LUTHER KING OF 11 TO 15 IN EACH OF THE DAYS OF SATURDAY
21 AND SUNDAY?

22

23 **CAROL MEYER:** YES.

24



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEY HAD ONE DAY WHERE THEY
2 WERE UP TWO AND ANOTHER DAY THEY WERE DOWN ONE?

3

4 **CAROL MEYER:** THAT'S CORRECT, SIR.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO WAS IT THAT REPRESENTED WHITE
7 MEMORIAL YESTERDAY? WAS THAT THEIR C.E.O.?

8

9 **CAROL MEYER:** IT WAS THEIR MEDICAL DOCTOR, THEIR MEDICAL
10 DIRECTOR, DR...

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEIR MEDICAL DIRECTOR?

13

14 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** DR. LOPEZ, I BELIEVE.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DR. LOPEZ, THAT'S CORRECT. HAVE
17 YOU TALKED TO DR. LOPEZ OR CAN YOU EDUCATE HIM AS TO WHAT'S
18 GOING ON IN HIS OWN HOSPITAL? THIS IS INFORMATION WE GOT FROM
19 HIS OWN HOSPITAL, CORRECT?

20

21 **CAROL MEYER:** YES, SIR.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO SOMEWHERE BETWEEN DR. LOPEZ AND
24 THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT OF THE HOSPITAL, THERE WAS A
25 DISCONNECT, WASN'T THERE?



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2 **CAROL MEYER:** YES.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I GUESS WE'RE NOT THE ONLY AGENCY
5 THAT HAS A COMMUNICATIONS PROBLEM FROM TIME TO TIME.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** I DON'T THINK IT WAS HECTOR LOPEZ WHO SAID THAT.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT WASN'T HECTOR. IT WAS ANOTHER
10 DOCTOR. ROSALIO.

11

12 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** ROSALIO LOPEZ.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ROSALIO LOPEZ, DR. ROSALIO LOPEZ.
15 YEAH.

16

17 **CAROL MEYER:** THE MOST IMPACTED HOSPITAL WAS ST. FRANCIS
18 MEDICAL CENTER, WHICH WE WOULD EXPECT. THEY HAD AN INCREASE OF
19 14 AMBULANCES ON SATURDAY AND 18 AMBULANCES ON SUNDAY. THE
20 OTHERS WERE NOT SIGNIFICANT.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEY-- IF MY MEMORY SERVES ME
23 CORRECTLY, THEY DID NOT COME HERE YESTERDAY.

24



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1 **CAROL MEYER:** THEY DID. THEIR PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER, CAROL
2 LEE THORPE, WAS HERE.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THAT'S RIGHT. I DO REMEMBER
5 THAT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** ARE WE TRACKING AT ALL THE WALK-INS THAT THEY ARE
8 GETTING, AS WELL?

9

10 **CAROL MEYER:** YES.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** DO YOU HAVE THOSE NUMBERS?

13

14 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WE HAVE SOME VERY PRELIMINARY DATA WHICH WE
15 NEED TO CHECK, BUT I'D BE GLAD TO HAVE CAROL GO THROUGH IT,
16 SUPERVISOR.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BEFORE YOU DO THAT, CAN I JUST
19 FINISH ON THE HOSPITALS ON THE E.R.S? YOU SAID THERE WERE NINE
20 HOSPITALS THAT YOU SURVEYED. YOU JUST GAVE US FOUR.

21

22 **CAROL MEYER:** YES, I CAN GIVE YOU MORE DETAIL...

23

24 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT THIS, AGAIN, JUST TO CORRECT, IT'S ONLY
25 AMBULANCES.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AMBULANCES, THAT'S ALL I WAS
3 ASKING ABOUT FOR THIS QUESTION. WERE THE OTHER FIVE HOSPITALS-
4 - WHY DON'T YOU JUST RUN THROUGH THEM?

5

6 **CAROL MEYER:** I WILL. GARDENA MEMORIAL HAD AN INCREASE OF TWO
7 ON SATURDAY AND SIX ON SUNDAY, INCREASE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THIS IS AN INCREASE PERIOD?

10

11 **CAROL MEYER:** COMPARED TO THEIR NORMAL LEVEL.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT MAY OR MAY NOT HAVE HAD
14 SOMETHING TO DO WITH KING.

15

16 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** THAT'S CORRECT.

17

18 **CAROL MEYER:** WE CAN'T VALIDATE YET THAT THOSE PATIENTS CAME
19 FROM THAT AREA.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** RIGHT.

22

23 **CAROL MEYER:** DOWNEY COMMUNITY HOSPITAL HAD A ZERO INCREASE ON
24 SATURDAY AND EIGHT PATIENT INCREASE ON SUNDAY.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY ALSO INDICATED ON THAT EIGHT PATIENTS THAT
2 THEY HAD SEVEN SERIOUSLY ILL LEFTOVER ON MONDAY BECAUSE THEY
3 HAD TO HOUSE THEM THERE BECAUSE THE INTENSIVE CARE UNIT WAS
4 FULL BUT THEY IDENTIFIED FOUR FROM THE KING ZIP CODE, FOUR OF
5 THE EIGHT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD. KEEP GOING.

8

9 **CAROL MEYER:** AND THEN LAKEWOOD REGIONAL WAS NOT ABLE TO
10 PROVIDE US WITH INFORMATION. AND KAISER BELLFLOWER DOES NOT
11 TRACK OR MONITOR THEIR AMBULANCE RUNS COMPARED TO THEIR TOTAL
12 VOLUME. LONG BEACH MEMORIAL HAD A DECREASE OF FOUR FROM THEIR
13 NORMAL SATURDAY AND AN INCREASE BY TWO FOR THEIR NORMAL
14 SUNDAY.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SO, AS IT RELATES TO
17 AMBULANCE TRAFFIC, UNDERSTANDABLY IT'S ONLY TWO DAYS, BUT IT'S
18 TWO DAYS WHERE WE HAD A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO CAME HERE
19 YESTERDAY WHO SAID-- ALMOST SAID THAT THE SKY WAS FALLING IN.
20 WHAT IS YOUR ASSESSMENT OF WHAT THESE NUMBERS REPRESENT?

21

22 **CAROL MEYER:** WELL, MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL HAS AN AVERAGE,
23 HISTORICALLY, OF 30 TO 32 AMBULANCE RUNS PER DAY. NOW, IT
24 CHANGES EVERY DAY BUT AN AVERAGE OF 30 A DAY. ON SATURDAY,
25 BASED ON THESE NINE HOSPITALS THAT SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED ALL OF



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1 THE AMBULANCE RUNS OUT OF THIS AREA, THERE WAS AN INCREASE OF
2 19 AND ON SUNDAY THERE WAS AN INCREASE OF 30 AT THE PRIVATE
3 HOSPITALS. SO IT'S PRETTY MUCH WITHIN WHAT WE WOULD EXPECT.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ON SUNDAY, IT WAS PRETTY MUCH WHAT
6 YOU WOULD EXPECT. ON SATURDAY, IT ACTUALLY SOUNDS LIKE IT WAS
7 BELOW THE AVERAGE.

8

9 **CAROL MEYER:** IT WAS LOW, YES, SIR.

10

11 **SUP. KNABE:** STILL AN INCREASE, THOUGH.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH.

14

15 **CAROL MEYER:** DEFINITELY. THEY HAVE TO GO SOMEPLACE. I MEAN,
16 THE AMBULANCES...

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DEFINITELY AN INCREASE.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** NO, I MEAN, THAT'S WHY, I MEAN, I...

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BUT IT'S DIFFERENT THAN 11 TO 15
23 INCREASE IN ONE HOSPITAL.

24



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I UNDERSTAND THAT, ZEV. BUT, YOU KNOW, AT THE END
2 OF THE DAY, WE GOT TO BE PARTNERS WITH THESE FOLKS BECAUSE
3 THEY CAN WALK AWAY FROM THOSE E.R.S.

4
5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, THEY CAN.

6
7 **SUP. MOLINA:** BUT AT THE SAME TIME, WE HAVE TO UNDERSTAND, WE
8 HAVE TO GET A BASELINE OF WHERE THEY'VE BEEN AND WHAT THEY'RE
9 AT SO, IF WE'RE GOING TO PAY FOR OUR SHARE OF INDIGENTS, WHICH
10 WE KNOW WE MUST PAY, WE DO NEED A BASELINE. SO I CAN IMAGINE
11 IT'S TO THEIR ADVANTAGE TO, YOU KNOW-- SO WE WANT TO BE
12 COOPERATIVE BUT THEY HAVE TO BE COOPERATIVE, AS WELL.

13
14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. I THINK THAT THE KEY TO THIS
15 IS THAT PEOPLE TELL US THE TRUTH ABOUT THE COSTS THEY'RE
16 INCURRING AND HOW MUCH OF THAT COST WE ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR. I
17 DON'T THINK IT HELPS THE SITUATION. IT'S NOT-- A GOOD PARTNER
18 IS NOT A PARTNER MONTH WHO COMES HERE AND INFLATES NUMBERS IN
19 ORDER TO TRY TO GET MORE MONEY OUT OF A COUNTY THAT IS ALREADY
20 STRAPPED. THAT'S WHY-- I MEAN WE'VE BEEN DOWN THIS ROAD
21 BEFORE. AND I THINK WE HAVE TO-- WE'RE PREPARED TO BEAR OUR
22 SHARE OF THE RESPONSIBILITY BUT NOT A SHARE OF EVERYBODY
23 ELSE'S RESPONSIBILITY. AND WE ALREADY BEAR A DISPROPORTIONATE
24 SHARE OF OTHER PEOPLE'S RESPONSIBILITY, FOR WHICH WE ARE NOT
25 ADEQUATELY COMPENSATED.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I MEAN, I'M NOT-- THIS IS NOT JUST A COUNTY ISSUE,
3 I MEAN, THIS IS STATE, THE FEDS HAVE TO STEP IN ON THIS ISSUE,
4 TOO. BUT, AT THE END OF THE DAY, WE ARE THE ULTIMATE SAFETY
5 NET. WE ARE THE PROVIDER OF LAST RESORT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES, WE ARE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** SO, I MEAN, IF THERE'S GOING TO BE AN IMPACT, IT'S
10 GOING TO BE ON US, IT'S NOT GOING TO BE ON THOSE OTHERS.
11 THAT'S WHY IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE TIGHTEN THIS NETWORK
12 AND DO WHAT WE NEED TO DO. I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU, IT'S NOT
13 OUR JOB TO FULL REIMBURSEMENT OR WHATEVER IT MAY BE AND THEY
14 HAVE TO CARRY THEIR FAIR SHARE BUT I'M ALSO CONCERNED WHEN YOU
15 LOOK AT THE 50,000-FOOT LEVEL, WHAT HAPPENS IF THEY START
16 GOING BY THE WAYSIDE ON US?

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S TRUE. AND SOME OF THEM HAVE
19 GONE BY THE WAYSIDE WITHOUT THIS HOSPITAL CLOSING AND WITHOUT
20 ITS EMERGENCY ROOM CLOSING AND WE GET STUCK WITH IT. BUT I
21 THINK IT'S, IT'S JUST DISIN-- FOR ME, IT'S A REAL PROBLEM AND
22 WE DON'T PUT PEOPLE UNDER OATH WHEN THEY COME AND TESTIFY
23 BEFORE THIS BOARD. BUT, AS I WAS TALKING TO DR. CHERNOF AFTER
24 YESTERDAY'S MEETING, IF YOU ADDED UP ALL OF THE ADDITIONAL
25 AMBULANCES THAT ALL THESE HOSPITALS CLAIMED THEY GOT ON



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1 SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, IT WAS FAR MORE AMBULANCES THAN KING GETS
2 ON AN AVERAGE ON ANY SATURDAY OR SUNDAY. IT JUST DIDN'T
3 COMPUTE. IT DIDN'T ADD UP. IT WAS BULL. AND SO, WHEN WE SIT
4 HERE AND LISTEN TO BULL, I THINK WE NEED TO EXPOSE IT BECAUSE
5 IF WE...

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** IT REALLY HELPS TO NEGOTIATE WITH...

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME FINISH! BECAUSE, IF WE
10 DON'T, IF WE DON'T, WE'RE GOING TO BE MAKING SOME COSTLY
11 DECISIONS THAT ARE NOT JUSTIFIED. AND I THINK THE HOSPITAL--
12 WE OWE IT TO THE HOSPITALS TO BE FAIR TO THEM. THEY OWE IT TO
13 US TO BE TRUTHFUL WITH US. THAT'S ALL I ASK AND THAT'S WHY I
14 ASKED FOR THIS REPORT.

15

16 **SUP. KNABE:** NO QUESTION.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHO ELSE WANTS TO SPEAK? THANK YOU
19 FOR THAT. MS. MOLINA, YOU HAD ASKED THEM ABOUT THE WALK-INS.

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I JUST THINK WE NEED TO TRACK THOSE, AS WELL,
22 BECAUSE THERE ARE PEOPLE WHO DRIVE FOLKS OVER THERE AND
23 CERTAINLY THE WALK-INS ARE PART OF THAT AND WE SHOULD HAVE
24 THOSE NUMBERS AS WELL.

25



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1 **CAROL MEYER:** I DO HAVE PRELIMINARY INFORMATION ON THAT. WE
2 HAVE A TOTAL INCREASE OF WALK-INS AT NINE HOSPITALS OF 136
3 PATIENTS SO IT'S SIGNIFICANT. AND THEN WE ALSO HAVE A 78
4 INCREASE ACROSS THE NINE HOSPITALS ON SUNDAY.

5

6 **SUP. BURKE:** AND WE ARE ALSO TAKING PEOPLE BY AMBULANCE FROM
7 KING TO OTHER HOSPITALS, AREN'T WE?

8

9 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** SUPERVISOR, WE HAVE AMBULANCE SERVICES
10 AVAILABLE ON SITE, AS I SHARED WITH YOUR BOARD YESTERDAY, THE
11 FACILITY WAS EXTREMELY QUIET OVER THE WEEKEND. SO WE'VE HAD
12 LITTLE, IF ANY, NEED TO USE THOSE RESOURCES BUT THEY'RE
13 PRESENT. AND I WILL SAY THESE ARE FACILITY SELF-REPORTED DATA.
14 WE TOLD THEM THAT THESE DATA NEEDED TO BE AUDITABLE BECAUSE WE
15 HAD EVERY INTENTION OF LOOKING AT THEM AND I THINK THE KEY
16 THING HERE IS THAT WE WILL REPORT TO YOUR BOARD ON A REGULAR
17 BASIS, AS REQUESTED, THIS DATA. BECAUSE I THINK IT'S DATA THAT
18 SHOULD DRIVE THIS KIND OF DECISION-MAKING, HONEST, CLEAR DATA
19 ABOUT WHAT'S ACTUALLY HAPPENING.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 136 FIGURE WAS FOR SATURDAY?

22

23 **CAROL MEYER:** YES, SIR.

24

25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IN ALL NINE HOSPITALS?



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2 **CAROL MEYER:** ALL NINE HOSPITALS.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHICH HOSPITAL-- WAS IT ST.

5 FRANCIS THAT HAD THE BULK OF THEM, THE LARGEST SINGLE

6 INCREASE?

7

8 **CAROL MEYER:** WELL, KAISER BELLFLOWER REPORTED A VERY HIGH

9 INCREASE OF 32. WHITE MEMORIAL REPORTED AN INCREASE OF 25. ST.

10 FRANCIS REPORTED AN INCREASE OF 29.

11

12 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I WOULD CAUTION ALL OF US, AS WE LOOK AT

13 THESE DATA, THAT THEY REPRESENT A SPECIFIC DAY. AND THE

14 AVERAGES THAT MS. MEYER IS WORKING OFF OF REPRESENT AN AVERAGE

15 OVER A PERIOD OF TIME. SO YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE VARIATION ON

16 ANY GIVEN DAY, OBVIOUSLY. AND THE OTHER THING THAT'S WORTH

17 SAYING IS, YOU KNOW, HOW MUCH OF THIS BUSINESS IS ACTUALLY

18 RELATED TO WHAT WAS SEEN IN THE KING EMERGENCY ROOM AS OPPOSED

19 TO WHAT WOULD HAVE JUST COME IN IN TERMS OF NATURAL VARIATION?

20 THE EMERGENCY ROOM ITSELF AT KING, WHEN IT WAS OPERATING, SAW

21 ROUGHLY 90 TO 100 PATIENTS A DAY, OF WHICH ROUGHLY 30 OF THOSE

22 WERE AMBULANCES. SO THAT'S THE AMOUNT OF ACTIVITY THAT YOU

23 WOULD EXPECT TO APPEAR ULTIMATELY IN THE NINE IMPACTED

24 HOSPITALS.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO, ON AN AVERAGE DAY, AN AVERAGE
2 SATURDAY OR AN AVERAGE DAY?

3

4 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** AVERAGE DAY, SUPERVISOR.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU WOULD SEE 60 WALK-INS AT KING,
7 EMERGENCY ROOM?

8

9 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** ROUGHLY 60 WALK-INS. AND 30...

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO YOU HAD 136 ADDITIONAL WALK-INS
12 ON THESE NINE HOSPITALS ON SATURDAY?

13

14 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** YES, WE HAD 78 ON SUNDAY.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 78 ON SUNDAY.

17

18 **SUP. BURKE:** WE SHOULD PROBABLY CLARIFY, THE PEOPLE WHO
19 TESTIFIED YESTERDAY, WHETHER OR NOT THEY SAID THEY WERE
20 AMBULANCE OR WHETHER THEY WERE WALK-INS OR DID THEY JUST SAY
21 THE EMERGENCY ROOM HAD THE INCREASE? SO MAYBE WE SHOULD
22 CLARIFY...

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IN THE CASE OF WHITE MEMORIAL, IT
25 WAS AMBULANCE-- WHITE MEMORIAL, DR. LOPEZ, SAID THAT THEY HAD



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1 11 TO 15-- I ASKED HIM THAT. I FOLLOWED UP WITH HIM. 11 TO 15
2 ADDITIONAL AMBULANCES EACH ON SATURDAY AND ON SUNDAY. HE SAID
3 AN AVERAGE OF 11 TO 15, WHATEVER THAT MEANS. SOMEWHERE BETWEEN
4 11 AND 15 EACH ON SATURDAY AND SUNDAY THAT HE ATTRIBUTED TO
5 THE KING EMERGENCY ROOM CLOSURE. THAT WAS JUST ONE HOSPITAL.

6

7 **CAROL MEYER:** THE BOTTOM LINE IS, THERE'S GOING TO BE A BUSIER
8 E.M.S. SYSTEM. WE'VE SAID THAT WITH THE CLOSURE OF EVERY
9 SINGLE EMERGENCY ROOM AND IT'S GOING TO PUT A LOT OF PRESSURE
10 ON THE SYSTEM. I ALSO AM NOT INCLUDING THE POTENTIAL INCREASES
11 OF WALK-INS TO OUR COUNTY HOSPITALS BECAUSE I BELIEVE STRONGLY
12 THAT PEOPLE WHO SEEK COUNTY CARE WILL SEEK ANOTHER COUNTY
13 HOSPITAL.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID YOU CHECK WITH HARBOR?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** HARBOR HAD SOME ISSUES ON SUNDAY...

18

19 **CAROL MEYER:** YEAH, WE HAD SOME DIFFICULTY GETTING INFORMATION.
20 THEY HAD WHAT?

21

22 **SUP. KNABE:** THEY HAD SOME ISSUES ON SUNDAY AS FAR AS OVERLOAD.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID YOU CHECK ON THE AMBULANCE
25 TRAFFIC?



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2 **CAROL MEYER:** THE NUMBERS DIDN'T MAKE SENSE, I'M SORRY, THAT
3 WERE REPORTED SO WE'RE CLARIFYING THAT.

4

5 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** BUT WE WILL TRACK THAT, SUPERVISOR.

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7 **SUP. BURKE:** AND WE'RE GOING DO GET WEEKLY REPORTS ON THIS,
8 RIGHT?

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10 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** PER YOUR REQUEST, YES, SUPERVISOR.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE?

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** THE ONLY OTHER THING, I MEAN, ON TOP OF ALL THIS
15 IS NOT NECESSARILY JUST THE WALK-- I MEAN, THE WALK-IN NUMBERS
16 ARE GOING TO IMPACT AND THE AMBULANCE CALLS ARE GOING TO
17 IMPACT BUT ALSO WE HAVE THE DOC ISSUE ON REIMBURSEMENT AND
18 THAT CAN IMPACT WHETHER AN E.R. STAYS OPEN OR IF THEY HAVE TO
19 REDUCE-- IS THAT CORRECT?

20

21 **CAROL MEYER:** YES, SIR. IF YOU DON'T GET A DOCTOR THAT'S
22 WILLING TO COME IN TO CONSULT ON A PATIENT, A SPECIALIST WHO
23 IS A NEUROSURGEON OR AN ORTHOPEDIST OR WHATEVER, THAT HOLDS UP
24 CARE AND IT BACKS UP THE EMERGENCY ROOM, THAT'S CORRECT.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** AND IT'S ANOTHER PIECE OF THE PUZZLE.

2

3 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WE NEED TO-- WE ARE COMMITTED, SUPERVISOR,
4 TO WORKING WITH THE IMPACTED HOSPITALS AND THEIR RELEVANT
5 PHYSICIAN GROUPS. WE BELIEVE, I BELIEVE THAT'S EXTREMELY
6 IMPORTANT BUT WHAT I ALSO BELIEVE IS IT IS NOT THIS BOARD'S
7 RESPONSIBILITY TO FIX THE ILLS OF EVERY OTHER PART OF
8 HEALTHCARE. AND SO SOME OF THE THINGS I'VE HEARD IS THAT
9 PEOPLE ARE UNHAPPY WITH MEDI-CAL RATES AND A WHOLE VARIETY OF
10 OTHER ISSUES. AND, YOU KNOW, THIS BOARD SETS ALL KINDS OF
11 POLICY AND GIVES THE C.E.O. AND MYSELF DIRECTION BUT YOU ALL
12 DON'T SET THE MEDI-CAL RATES. THAT'S A STATE ISSUE. AND SO,
13 YOU KNOW, WE-- OUR JOB, MY RESPONSIBILITY IS TO HELP SOLVE THE
14 SPECIFIC ISSUES RELATED TO THE CLOSURE OF EMERGENCY ROOM
15 SERVICES. BUT WE'RE NOT GOING TO FIX ALL OF THE ILLS OF THE
16 HEALTHCARE, FEDERAL OR STATE LEVEL, IN THIS DISCUSSION. I
17 THINK EVERYBODY IN THE HEALTHCARE DELIVERY SYSTEM NEEDS TO BE
18 AWARE OF THAT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I AGREE WITH THAT. I WANT TO
21 REITERATE. THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT ANY EMERGENCY ROOM THAT
22 CLOSES HAS AN IMPACT ON THE REST OF THE EMERGENCY ROOMS, AS
23 FREEMAN HAD WHEN IT CLOSED ITS EMERGENCY ROOM, AS THIS ONE
24 WILL HAVE AS IT'S CLOSED. BUT THERE ARE A HOST OF HOSPITALS
25 THAT SEE AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET MONEY OUT OF THE COUNTY, COST



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1 PLUS, AND THEY WILL MAKE A CASE, BASED ON INFORMATION THAT
2 THEY DROP LIKE A HAND GRENADE HERE AS THEY DID YESTERDAY, 11
3 TO 15 SATURDAY, 11 TO 15 ADDITIONAL AMBULANCES SUNDAY AND
4 CREATE THIS IMPRESSION THAT WE ARE MELTING DOWN THE SYSTEM.
5 AND ALL I ASK IS THAT-- AND INSIST THAT WE HAVE THE FACTS. IF
6 WE'RE CONTRIBUTING 11 TO 15 AT ONE HOSPITAL, THEN, BY GOSH, WE
7 OUGHT TO OWN UP TO THAT. BUT, IF THAT'S NOT TRUE, AND IT WAS
8 JUST A-- POLITICAL RHETORIC TO TRY TO RAISE THE TEMPERATURE
9 LEVEL AND LEVERAGE THE COUNTY TO PUT UP MORE MONEY, THAT'S NOT
10 GOING TO FLY. IT'S NOT GOING TO FLY WITH ME. I THINK WE OUGHT
11 TO DO WHAT WE-- YOU KNOW, BEAR OUR SHARE OF THE BURDEN, BUT
12 NOT HELP PUT THE ARTWORK UP ON THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE ANYWHERE,
13 NOT OUR C.E.O.

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S INFLAMMATORY, ZEV.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, DON, I'M ENTITLED TO SAY
18 WHAT I WANT TO SAY AND I THINK IT'S A LOT LESS INFLAMMATORY
19 THAN HAVING SOMEBODY COME HERE YESTERDAY AND INFLATING FIGURES
20 BY TRIPLE OR QUADRUPLE.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND I'M DISAPPOINTED THAT YOU HAD PEOPLE
23 COMING AND GIVING US INFLATED NUMBERS AND LOOKING UPON THE
24 COUNTY AS BEING THE CASH COW FOR THEIR NEEDS. WE HAVE A
25 SERIOUS PROBLEM AND WE'RE CORRECTING A PROBLEM BY RESTORING



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1 QUALITY CARE TO A FACILITY THAT LACKED QUALITY CARE. IN THE
2 MEANTIME, WE OUGHT NOT TO HAVE THESE INDIVIDUALS TRYING TO
3 TAKE ADVANTAGE OF US AND LOOKING UPON THE COUNTY, AS I SAID,
4 AS A CASH COW. SO WE GOT TO BE SURE OF OUR STATISTICS TO
5 CHALLENGE THEM AS WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO DO TODAY.

6

7 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** I THINK THE WEEKEND, YOU KNOW, CAME AND
8 WENT. FOLKS NEEDED TO LOOK AT THEIR DATA. I'M WILLING TO GIVE
9 THE HOSPITALS A CHANCE TO GO BACK AND LOOK AT THEIR DATA.
10 MAYBE PEOPLE WERE FLYING BY THE SEAT OF THEIR PANTS OR THE
11 DATA WASN'T EVERYTHING THAT IT SHOULD HAVE BEEN WHEN FOLKS
12 CAME FORWARD YESTERDAY BUT WE NEED TO MAKE AN INFORMED
13 DECISION BASED ON THE FACTS AND MY COMMITMENT TO YOU IS TO
14 BRING THOSE FACTS FORWARD AND TO THINK THROUGH AN APPROPRIATE
15 SOLUTION.

16

17 **SUP. BURKE:** AND THAT'S WHAT'S FAIR.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S ALL WE ASK.

20

21 **SUP. BURKE:** WE JUST WANT TO GET-- WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE
22 IMPACT IS SO THAT WE CAN RESPOND TO THAT BECAUSE OUR CONCERN
23 IS TO MAKE SURE THAT PEOPLE ARE CARED FOR AND THEY CAN'T BE
24 CARED FOR IF THERE'S NO ROOM OR DIVERSION GOING ON IN SOME OF
25 THE EMERGENCY ROOMS OR IF THERE'S NO ROOM FOR THEM TO BE



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1 TREATED. SO WE NEED TO JUST GET THE INFORMATION ON A REGULAR
2 BASIS.

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4 **DR. BRUCE CHERNOF:** WE WILL HAVE THOSE FOR YOU ON A WEEKLY
5 BASIS AND WE WILL BRING FORWARD PROPOSALS AS WE WORK WITH THE
6 PRIVATE HOSPITALS.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANY OTHER DISCUSSION?
9 IF NOT, THANK YOU BOTH. THAT IS ALL I HAD, I THINK. SUPERVISOR
10 KNABE? OH, THIS WASN'T AN ACTION ITEM.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNMENTS. THAT WE ADJOURN IN
13 MEMORY OF STEVEN BARKER, THE TECHNICAL DIRECTOR AND SOUND
14 ENGINEER FOR THE MARINA DEL REY SUMMER CONCERT SERIES. PASSED
15 AWAY VERY SUDDENLY ON JULY 23RD AT THE AGE OF 56. IN ADDITION
16 TO PRODUCING THE CONCERT SERIES, HE DID SOUND WORKS ON MANY
17 CONCERT HALLS AND MUSIC EVENTS. DID THE CALIFORNIA
18 PHILHARMONIC, THE ROSE BOWL, HE SERVED AS TECHNICAL DIRECTOR
19 FOR OLD TIME MUSIC FESTIVAL AND WAS TECHNICIAN/COORDINATOR FOR
20 THE LONG BEACH BLUES FESTIVAL. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY
21 OF VIVIAN BARNERT, A 40-YEAR RESIDENT OF PALOS VERDE. SHE
22 WAS ON THE BOARD OF THE PALOS VERDES DEMOCRATIC CLUB, WAS AN
23 ACTIVE CONGREGANT AT NER TAMID. SHE WAS VERY INVOLVED IN
24 ISSUES OF SOCIAL JUSTICE, SOCIAL WELFARE AND WORLD PEACE. SHE
25 WORKED TIRELESSLY TO RAISE MONEY FOR ISRAEL AND FOUNDED THE



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1 JEWISH FEDERATION SOUTH BAY LOS ANGELES CHAPTER. SHE'S
2 SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, VIVIAN, SISTER, ELLEN, AND BROTHER,
3 DR. SID MINTZ. ALSO THAT ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SKIP DE LA
4 CUESTA, BELOVED BROTHER-IN-LAW OF CONNIE MARTINEZ, OUR FORMER
5 C.E.O. AT RANCHO. SKIP PASSED AWAY LAST WEDNESDAY AFTER A LONG
6 BATTLE WITH CANCER. HE WORKED FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR MANY
7 YEARS. GREAT SUPPORTER OF THE PATIENTS AT RANCHO AND THEIR
8 FAMILIES. HE WILL BE MISSED BY HIS WIFE, EVA, AND HIS FAMILY
9 AND FRIENDS. AND HAD ONE OF THE GREAT SMILES. JUST A GREAT
10 GUY. ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARGARET "PEGGY" ANN EVANS
11 ENGLISH, WHO PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY AT HER HOME IN PALOS
12 VERDES ESTATES. SHE WAS FROM PENNSYLVANIA, MOVED TO CALIFORNIA
13 AT AN EARLY AGE. SHE MARRIED HIGH SCHOOL SWEETHEART, BOB
14 ENGLISH. THEY EVENTUALLY SETTLED IN SOUTH BAY, WHERE THEY
15 REMAINED FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. SHE WAS A FOUNDING
16 MEMBER OF THE LUNADA BAY LITTLE LEAGUE, FOUNDING MEMBER AND
17 DIRECTOR OF THE PENINSULA SURFING CLUB, A MEMBER OF THE PALOS
18 VERDES TENNIS CLUB AND NUMEROUS BOWLING LEAGUES. SHE IS
19 SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, GARY, NANCY, JOHN, CATHIE, AND FIVE
20 GRANDCHILDREN. WE ALSO ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SHIRLEY FEENSTRA,
21 PASSED AWAY ON AUGUST 7TH. SHE WAS A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF THE
22 CITY OF BELLFLOWER AS WELL AS AN EDUCATOR AND RETIREE...

23

24 **SUP. BURKE:** MAY I JOIN?

25



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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ...OF THE BELLFLOWER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.
2 SHE WAS ALSO ON THE BELLFLOWER CITY COUNCIL AND SERVED AS
3 MAYOR IN 1978 AND '79. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER, RUTH,
4 SON, ROBERT, BOTH OF BELLFLOWER, TWO GRANDCHILDREN AND TWO
5 GREAT-GRANDCHILDREN. GREAT GAL. SURELY WILL BE MISSED.

6

7 **SUP. BURKE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN SHIRLEY'S.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF LUPE HERNANDEZ,
10 WHO PASSED AWAY PEACEFULLY AT HOME ON AUGUST 3RD SURROUNDED BY
11 HER FAMILY AND FRIENDS. SHE WAS PROUD OF HER COMBINED 50 YEARS
12 OF VOLUNTEER SERVICE AT VARIOUS LOCAL P.T.A.S AND SERVICE
13 CLUBS. SHE WAS AWARDED THE P.T.A. LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
14 AT CABRILLO AVENUE ELEMENTARY AND SAN PEDRO HIGH SCHOOL. SHE
15 IS SURVIVED BY HER CHILDREN, SON, JULIAN, DAUGHTERS, LUPE AND
16 CECILE. ALSO THAT WE JOIN IN-- ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF DR.
17 BERNARD LANDES, A LONG-TIME RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH AND PAST
18 PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL CITY THEATER. HE WAS IN PRACTICE
19 FOR OVER 40 YEARS. HIS PRIDE AND JOY WAS BEING A PART OF THE
20 INTERNATIONAL CITY THEATER IN LONG BEACH. HE SERVED ON THE
21 BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND WAS ALSO SERVING AS PRESIDENT FOR THE
22 PUBLIC CORPORATION OF THE ARTS. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, GERI,
23 AND ALL HIS FRIENDS AT THE INTERNATIONAL CITY THEATER. AND
24 FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ANTONIA TELLEZ, WHO



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1 PASSED AWAY RECENTLY. SHE WILL BE SORELY MISSED BY HER FAMILY
2 AND FRIENDS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER SISTER, BETTY SEADE.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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6 **SUP. KNABE:** I BELIEVE THE ONLY ITEM I HELD WAS ITEM 9 AND WE
7 DID THAT.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. I THINK WE'RE DONE WITH THE
10 AGENDA. SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I WOULD LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN
13 MEMORY OF BETTY OLSEN WHO PASSED AWAY. SHE WAS THE WIFE OF
14 JOHN OLSEN, RETIRED SERGEANT, LOS ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT,
15 BURBANK AND ONE OF THE VOLUNTEERS IN MY POLITICAL CAMPAIGNS.
16 JOSEPH PASSARELLI, RETIRED SERGEANT, LOS ANGELES COUNTY
17 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS AT THE RECORDS
18 BUREAU. MERV GRIFFIN, THE GREAT ENTERTAINER, BUSINESSMAN AND
19 STARTING OUT WITH HIS OWN RADIO SHOW, WENT ON TO CREATE "WHEEL
20 OF FORTUNE" AND "JEOPARDY", THE TWO LONGEST MOST POPULAR
21 SYNDICATED TELEVISION SHOWS IN TELEVISION HISTORY. ALSO QUITE
22 CLOSE TO THE REAGAN FAMILY. HE ESCORTED NANCY REAGAN AND WAS
23 VERY CLOSE TO BOTH RON AND NANCY.

24

25 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HE LEAVES HIS WIFE AND SON. AND ERWIN ROBERT
5 KREKORIAN, WHO WAS A WORLD WAR II VETERAN IN THE UNITED STATES
6 MARINE CORPS BATTLE OF OKINAWA, WHO LEAVES HIS FOUR CHILDREN
7 AND SIX GRANDCHILDREN.

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT'S ALL.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALSO, JUST LEARNED THAT PHIL
14 RIZZUTO PASSED AWAY. ASK THAT WE ALL ADJOURN IN HIS MEMORY.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ALL MEMBERS.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS. WE'LL GET THE
19 INFORMATION. THAT JUST CAME ACROSS THE WIRES. 89 YEARS OLD.
20 GREAT YANKEE INFIELDER AND A GREAT BROADCASTER. THAT'S HOW I
21 FIRST CAME IN CONTACT WITH HIM, AS A BROADCASTER LISTENING TO
22 HIM ON C.B.S. HE WAS GOOD.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** I'D LIKE TO JOIN IN THAT.

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL MEMBERS. ALL RIGHT. WE'RE
2 GOING TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION BRIEFLY, WE ALREADY HAD THE
3 PUBLIC HEARING ON C.S.-3, BECAUSE MS. BURKE NEEDS TO LEAVE,
4 AND THEN WE'LL COME BACK AND DO THE REST OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT
5 PERIOD AND THEN GO BACK INTO CLOSED SESSION. SO IF THE PEOPLE
6 WHO ARE HERE ON PUBLIC COMMENT, IF YOU'LL BE PATIENT, WE WILL
7 BE BACK WITHIN THE HALF HOUR, I WOULD IMAGINE, OR LESS.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
10 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
11 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER C.S.-3,
12 CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL, REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION,
13 ITEM C.S.-4, CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR, AND ITEM C.S.-
14 5, CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS, WILLIAM T.
15 FUJIOKA, DR. BRUCE CHERNOF AND THE HAMMES COMPANY AS INDICATED
16 ON THE POSTED AGENDA. THE BOARD WILL RECONVENE AFTER THESE
17 ITEMS HAVE BEEN HEARD. THANK YOU.

18

19

20 **[CLOSED SESSION]**

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE THAT WANTED
24 TO BE HEARD ON ITEM 44 EARLIER AND I WILL CALL THEM UP AT THIS



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1 TIME. WARREN WILLIAMS? TERRY WILBURN? DR. CLAVREUL AND FELICIA
2 FORD. ARE ANY OF THEM HERE? ARE YOU MS. FORD? OAK, GO AHEAD.

3

4 **FELICIA FORD:** GOOD AFTERNOON, FELICIA FORD.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

7

8 **FELICIA FORD:** VOICE FOR THE PEOPLE. I'M HERE TO ADDRESS THE
9 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. HOSPITAL ISSUE. I WANT TO SAY THAT
10 I BELIEVE THAT YOU NEED TO SET UP A 1-800 NUMBER SO THAT
11 INFORMATION FOR THE DISABLED, THE ELDERLY AND THE CHILDREN
12 WILL KNOW HOW THEY CAN BE ASSISTED IN THEIR MEDICAL NEEDS. NO
13 QUESTION THAT, IF THEY HAVE EMERGENCY NEEDS, THAT THEY WOULD
14 CALL 9-1-1. THERE'S NO QUESTION ALSO THAT I HEARD YOU SPEAKING
15 EARLIER, YOU SAID THAT MANY OF THE HOSPITALS, THEY SPOKE OF
16 NINE, MANY WILL BE DISPATCHED TO HELP THE PEOPLE IN THAT
17 COMMUNITY. I WILL SAY THAT, EVEN WITH THE LOAD OF THAT
18 COMMUNITY, THE HOSPITALS WILL BE OVERWHELMED. I ALSO WANTED TO
19 SPEAK ON YOUR ISSUE, I READ SOME OF YOUR RESULTS OF YOUR
20 FINDINGS. I GUESS YOU WOULD CALL YOUR SERIOUS INFRACTIONS OF
21 DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL AND WHERE YOU WOULD CALL SOME
22 OF IT A CESSPOOL OF PROBLEMS, THAT CESSPOOL OF PROBLEMS EXISTS
23 IN A LOT OF HOSPITALS. I WAS SPEAKING TO THE RODRIGUEZ FAMILY
24 WHILE WAITING HERE FOR A FEW HOURS TO SPEAK AND I'M ACTUALLY
25 SPEECHLESS NOW BECAUSE IT HAS BEEN EXPLAINED TO ME FROM THAT



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1 FAMILY WHAT HAPPENED TO THEIR LOVED ONE AND MY HEART GOES OUT
2 TO THEM. BUT I WANT TO SAY TO THIS BOARD, TO THIS BODY, DON'T
3 LET GOD'S CHILDREN SUFFER IN THAT COMMUNITY AND I HOPE THAT
4 YOU WILL HELP THEM. IT IS A NEED. I WILL DO EVERYTHING I CAN
5 BUT I ASK THAT YOU SET UP A 1-800 NUMBER, EFFECTIVE
6 IMMEDIATELY, TO DISSEMINATE THE INFORMATION WHERE YOU CAN HELP
7 THEM, WHERE THEY CAN GO TO OTHER COMMUNITY HOSPITALS. THAT IS
8 VERY MUCH NEEDED. THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO SPEAK.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. IS DR.
11 CLAVREUL HERE? WARREN WILLIAMS? TERRY WILBURN? OKAY. CLOSE THE
12 PUBLIC HEARING ON 44. CAN I HAVE THE PUBLIC COMMENT? NOW WE'RE
13 ON PUBLIC COMMENT. MERCEDES RIVERA? IS SHE HERE? GILBERT TARR?
14 COME ON DOWN. DIONNE KINLAW? IS DIONNE KINLAW HERE? DONALD
15 WILSON? DONALD WILSON? DEE JONES? MOLLIE LAMAR SIMMS? IS JIM
16 LIEWER HERE? ALL RIGHT. STAY THERE. YOU WILL BE NEXT. WE'LL
17 CALL YOU NEXT, MR. LIEWER. MERCEDES RIVERA.

18

19 **MERCEDES RIVERA:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS MERCEDES RIVERA.
20 (THROUGH INTERPRETER): I AM HERE TO DELIVER A MESSAGE FROM MR.
21 PETER BAXTER, WHICH RIGHT NOW HE'S AT THE HOSPITAL. HE HAS
22 ASKED ME IF IT'S OKAY FOR HIM TO BRING A VIDEO THAT HE WOULD
23 LIKE TO SHOW YOU NEXT WEEK IN REGARDS TO HOW TO COMBAT FIRE OR
24 HE COULD SEND YOU A COPY SO THAT YOU COULD SEE IT ON YOUR OWN
25 TIME, AT YOUR OWN CONVENIENCE. EVERY TIME HE HAS BEEN HERE TO



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1 TALK TO YOU IN REGARDS TO COMBATING FIRE, IT'S FROM THIS
2 VIDEO, BASED ON THIS VIDEO. I WOULD LIKE TO GIVE YOU THE
3 OPPORTUNITY TO SEE IT AND THEN GIVE YOUR OPINION OF IT. AND
4 THIS WOULD BE FOR NEXT WEEK.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF YOU'D LIKE TO MAKE A COPY OR
7 GIVE US A COPY AND WE WILL MAKE COPIES FOR THE FIVE BOARD
8 MEMBERS, WE WILL LOOK AT IT. I THINK THAT WOULD BE THE BEST
9 WAY TO PROCEED.

10

11 **INTERPRETER:** THAT WILL BE FINE, SUPERVISOR.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MS. RIVERA. GIVE MR.
14 BAXTER OUR BEST WISHES.

15

16 **MERCEDES RIVERA:** THANK YOU.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. MR. TARR?

19

20 **GILBERT TARR:** GOOD MORNING.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING-- AFTERNOON.

23

24 **GILBERT TARR:** I'M A LITTLE DISAPPOINTED THAT ALL THE BOARD
25 MEMBERS ARE NOT HERE. THIS MORNING FOR THE SESSION, THEY



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1 SHOWED UP BUT, WHEN IT COMES TO PUBLIC COMMENT, IT LOOKS LIKE
2 A PORTION OF THEM ARE MISSING. MY COMMENT IS REGARDS TO THE
3 ANIMAL CONTROL AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I HAD A DOG
4 STOLEN FROM MY-- WAS TIED TO MY MOTOR HOME AND WAS STOLEN BY
5 THE ANIMAL CONTROL PEOPLE AND, WHEN I REPORTED THIS TO THE
6 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND WENT TO A WATCH SERGEANT, I WAS TOLD
7 THERE WAS NO CRIME EXISTED AND TO GO AWAY. THEY STILL HAVE MY
8 ANIMAL. I THINK IT'S WRONG. I WAS ALSO TOLD YESTERDAY, WHEN I
9 WENT TO THE ANIMAL SHELTER TO PICK IT UP, THAT I COULDN'T PICK
10 IT UP ON A MOTORCYCLE. I'M AT A LOSS OF WHY THESE ARE...

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHERE DO YOU LIVE?

13

14 **GILBERT TARR:** WHERE DO I LIVE? IT WAS TAKEN FROM THE GORMAN
15 AREA, THE MOST NORTHERN PORTION OF THIS COUNTY.

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. MAYBE WE CAN HAVE...

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU HAVE TO HAVE YOUR DOG'S RABIES SHOTS
20 CERTIFICATE, I HAVE BEEN TOLD BY THE DEPARTMENT, IN ORDER TO
21 GET YOUR DOG BACK.

22

23 **GILBERT TARR:** I HAVE THAT. I WAS TOLD YESTERDAY THAT I
24 COULDN'T PICK UP MY DOG ON A MOTORCYCLE. MY QUESTION IS, DO I



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1 NEED TO RENT A VEHICLE AND SEND THE BILL TO THE BOARD TO PAY
2 SO MY DOG CAN COME HOME?

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** HOW DO YOU PUT A DOG ON A MOTORCYCLE?

5

6 **GILBERT TARR:** YOU PUT HIM IN A CRATE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YOU HAD A CRATE. WE'LL HAVE OUR OFFICE CHECK
9 ON THAT, IF A CRATE IS PERMISSIBLE FOR A DOG ON A MOTORCYCLE,
10 OKAY?

11

12 **GILBERT TARR:** WELL, MY QUESTION OR THE PROBLEM THAT I HAVE IS
13 YOU HAVE PAID STAFF FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TELLING YOU
14 THAT YOU CAN'T MOVE THE ANIMAL ON A MOTORCYCLE. THEY PICK THE
15 ANIMAL UP FROM-- IT WAS TIED TO MY MOTOR HOME. IT WAS IN
16 THERE. THEY DON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE RATTLESNAKES IN THE
17 COMMUNITY. THEY DON'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT THE COYOTES IN THE
18 COMMUNITY, THE SKUNK OR RACCOONS OR ANY OTHER PREDATORS THAT
19 WE HAVE BUT THEY'LL TAKE A DOG THAT'S WORTH MONEY AND TAKE HIM
20 TO THE SHELTER AND...

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THEY SAID THE DOG HAD GOTTEN IN A FIGHT WITH
23 ANOTHER DOG THAT WAS NOT CHAINED AND THEY TOOK HIM IN AND THEN
24 THEY HAD TO TEST THE DOG FOR RABIES.

25



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1 **GILBERT TARR:** THEY TOLD ME, WHEN I WENT TO THE SHERIFF'S
2 DEPARTMENT, THE SHERIFF CALLED DOWN AND SAID SOMEBODY GOT BIT.
3 SOMETHING'S WRONG. SOMETHING'S GROSSLY WRONG THAT YOU WOULD
4 HAVE PEOPLE, UNDER THE COLOR OF THE LAW, TAKING A MAN'S
5 ANIMALS AND YOU'D HAVE A PROCESS OF THIS NATURE.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEY WILL LOOK INTO IT AND...

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** IT SAYS THE DOG CANNOT BE RELEASED UNTIL
10 AFTER THE 10-DAY QUARANTINE BECAUSE OF THE RABIES CHECK AND
11 THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE AN ORDER TO COMPLY BUT YOU CANNOT KEEP
12 THE DOGS CHAINED ON PROPERTY NOR RUN LOOSE OUTSIDE NON-FENCED
13 PROPERTY.

14

15 **GILBERT TARR:** I DON'T HAVE ANY OF THIS DOCUMENTATION. FIRST OF
16 ALL, THE DOG DOESN'T LIVE IN CURRAN COUNTY. THE DOG IS ONLY
17 CHAINED TO THE MOTOR HOME AND FOR A SMALL AMOUNT OF TIME
18 BECAUSE I WENT SOMEWHERE ON THE MOTORCYCLE.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THEY'RE SAYING THAT THE
21 SHELTER NEEDS YOUR ADDRESS IN ORDER TO COMMUNICATE WITH YOU.

22

23 **GILBERT TARR:** THEY WERE GIVEN THE ADDRESS BY THE PHONE. BY
24 PHONE. THEY HAVE NOT COMMUNICATED AT ALL. WHEN I WENT TO PICK
25 THE ANIMAL UP YESTERDAY, I WAS TOLD THAT I COULDN'T PICK HIM



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1 UP ON A MOTORCYCLE. DO YOU WANT ME TO RENT A VEHICLE AND SEND
2 YOU THE BILL?

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** LET US CHECK ON THE CART FOR A MOTORCYCLE IF
5 THAT'S PERMISSIBLE FOR YOUR DOG.

6

7 **GILBERT TARR:** WHEN CAN I PICK UP MY ANIMAL?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE'RE GOING TO CHECK TO SEE IF THE MOTORCYCLE
10 CART IS OKAY FOR YOUR DOG.

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12 **GILBERT TARR:** WHEN CAN I GET AN ANSWER?

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GIVE US YOUR TELEPHONE NUMBER AND WE'LL
15 COMMUNICATE WITH YOU, OKAY?

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17 **GILBERT TARR:** 661...

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DON'T DO THAT ON THE MICROPHONE.
20 GIVE IT TO THE DEPUTY AND THEY'LL TAKE IT FROM YOU.

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22 **GILBERT TARR:** THEY HAVE IT ALREADY.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** OUR OFFICE, GIVE IT TO PHILIP OVER THERE.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JIM LIEWER? ADA
2 BATTLIE? IS SHE HERE? WALTER BECKTEL? COME ON DOWN. MOLLIE
3 SIMMS?

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5 **MOLLIE LAMAR SIMMS:** YES, I'M HERE.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AHEAD.

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9 **MOLLIE LAMAR SIMMS:** ALL RIGHT. MY FULL NAME IS MOLLIE LAMAR
10 SIMMS WINDBURN MURRAY GINYARD-COOPER COOPER. I AM FORMERLY
11 DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF
12 ADOPTIONS. I AM A 34-YEAR COUNTY EMPLOYEE. I RETIRED JANUARY
13 15TH, 1993, APPROXIMATELY, IT WILL BE TWO YEARS THIS COMING
14 FEBRUARY. I CAME AND STOOD BEFORE THIS HONORARIUM BOARD AND
15 REQUESTED REINSTATEMENT AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE LOS ANGELES
16 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES OR THE RE--
17 WHAT SHOULD I SAY, THE RESTRUCTURING AS THE DEPARTMENT AGAIN,
18 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ADOPTIONS AND MY
19 REINSTATEMENT AS DIRECTOR OF THAT DEPARTMENT. I DID-- I NEVER
20 HEARD FROM THE OFFICER WHO WAS TO DO THE RE-CLASS STUDY,
21 ALTHOUGH SHE TOLD ME CLEARLY SHE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH ME
22 THAT VERY AFTERNOON, NO LATER THAN THE NEXT DAY. I UNDERSTAND
23 CLEARLY IT'S A FACT, NOT A THOUGHT, RESPECTFULLY, THAT \$175
24 MILLION WAS PAID FRAUDULENTLY BY LOS ANGELES COUNTY TO ONE OF
25 MY SISTERS IMPERSONATING HERSELF AS ME. SHE INDEED DID RETURN



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1 TO WORK AT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
2 FAMILY SERVICES USING MY NAME AND CREDENTIALS. QUITE SIMPLY
3 PUT, I AM GOING TO RETURN TO WORK IN MY FORMER POSITION. I WAS
4 PROMOTED TO DIRECTOR BY THE FORMER HONORARIUM LOS ANGELES
5 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEMBERS AS DIRECTOR OF THE LOS
6 ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ADOPTIONS. I WILL RETURN TO WORK
7 OCTOBER 15TH, I DON'T KNOW THE DAY OF THE WEEK, AS LONG AS
8 IT'S NOT A SATURDAY OR A SUNDAY, 2007 AT 425 SHATTO PLACE.
9 FOLLOWING THAT, I KNOW THAT NEW QUARTERS WILL BE MADE FOR ME,
10 THE DIRECTOR, AS WELL AS MY ADOPTION STAFF. I'M OPEN TO ANY
11 QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS THAT YOU MIGHT HAVE.

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I DON'T THINK THERE ARE
14 ANY QUESTIONS. THANK YOU. JIM LIEWER.

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16 **MOLLIE LAMAR SIMMS WINDBURN MURRAY:** OH NO, I'M NOT SATISFIED.
17 I NEED A DEFINITIVE RESPONSE.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP.

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21 **MOLLIE LAMAR SIMMS WINDBURN MURRAY:** NO, MY TIME IS NOT UP. YOU
22 DON'T DO THAT TO ME.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PERHAPS WE COULD HAVE SOMEBODY
25 TALK TO YOU.



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2 **MOLLIE LAMAR SIMMS WINDBURN MURRAY:** NO, I REPRESENT THE
3 AFRICAN-AMERICAN BLACK COMMUNITY AND IF YOU DON'T REINSTATE
4 ME, YOU'RE GOING TO BE BURNED TO THE GROUND, YOU UNDERSTAND
5 ME?

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND YOU.

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9 **MOLLIE LAMAR SIMMS WINDBURN MURRAY:** ALL RIGHT. ARE YOU TELLING
10 ME TO LEAVE WITHOUT REINSTATEMENT?

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M TELLING YOU THAT YOUR TIME IS
13 UP AND WE HAVE RULES.

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15 **MOLLIE LAMAR SIMMS WINDBURN MURRAY:** NO, WHAT DOES THAT MEAN,
16 YOUR HONORARIUM ZEV YAROSLAVSKY.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MA'AM, I'M TRYING TO BE RESPECTFUL
19 TO YOU. I'M TRYING TO BE RESPECTFUL TO YOU...

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. LIEWER, I APOLOGIZE.

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23 **JIM LIEWER:** THAT'S OKAY. I HAVE TROUBLE WITH AN ORGANIZATION
24 ON THE FIRE DEPARTMENT.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO ME A FAVOR AND MOVE THAT MIC
2 CLOSER TO YOUR...

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4 **JIM LIEWER:** I HAVE A PROBLEM WITH A ORGANIZATION ON THE POLICE
5 DEPARTMENT CALLED ODESSA. THEY HOLD UP SIGNS, ODESSA.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GET CLOSER TO THE MICROPHONE.

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9 **JIM LIEWER:** ODESSA MEANS ORGANIZATION OF EX-S.S. MEMBERS. THEY
10 DRIVE AROUND IN CARS AND THEY ALSO SHOW UP WITH A GUY NAMED
11 GEORGE WELLER. HE MURDERED PEOPLE AT SANTA MONICA PROMENADE.
12 HE KILLED 10 PEOPLE AND INJURED 63. HE SHOWED UP ONCE WITH A
13 SATANIC POLICE OFFICER FROM THE L.A.P.D. NAMED MONK. I DON'T
14 KNOW HIS LAST NAME. HE USED TO LIVE NEXT DOOR TO ME AND HE
15 STARTED MAKING DEATH THREATS AGAINST MEXICANS AND BLACK
16 PEOPLE. HE SAID HE KILLED PEOPLE IN SOUTH AFRICA. AND ALSO A
17 GERMAN. I HAD TROUBLE WITH GERMAN POLICE ORGANIZATIONS IN
18 GERMANY, IN WEST GERMANY, WHEN I WAS SMALL. THEY MAKE DEATH
19 THREATS AGAINST UNIONS. THEY ALSO HAVE PARAMEDICS FROM THE
20 L.A. FIRE DEPARTMENT WALK UP TO ME AND SAY THEY'RE GOING TO
21 KILL MEXICANS. ONE OF THEM SAID HE HIT A BABY IN A STROLLER. I
22 HAVE NUMEROUS PROBLEMS WITH THIS ORGANIZATION. IT'S ACTUALLY A
23 SATANIC POLICE ORGANIZATION. MOST OF THE MEMBERS WILL SAY THEY
24 WORSHIP SATAN OR LUCIFER. I THINK IT'S THE SAME THING. THEY
25 MAKE DEATH THREATS AGAINST BLACKS, FOREIGNERS, SOMETIMES THE



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1 SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE WILL SHOW UP AND MAKE THREATS AGAINST
2 BLACK GROUPS. I HAVE NUMEROUS-- ALSO ONE GUY NAMED WELLER SAID
3 HE MURDERED A KID ENCINITAS BEACH WHEN I WAS SMALL. HE
4 FOLLOWED MY PARENTS DOWN TO ENCINITAS AND HE KILLED A MEXICAN
5 KID ON A BEACH WITH A MOTORCYCLE. I HAVE NUMEROUS PROBLEMS
6 WITH THIS ORGANIZATION. IF I GO TO THE POLICE DEPARTMENT AND
7 ASK THEM TO ASSIST ME IN INVESTIGATION, THEY WILL TOTALLY, A
8 LOT OF TIMES THEY'LL TAKE A RING OUT OF THEIR POCKET THAT SAYS
9 ODESSA ON IT IN CAPITAL LETTERS AND THEY JUST HOLD UP THE RING
10 TO MY FACE OR THEY PUT IT ON THE TABLE AND I LOOK DOWN ON THE
11 TABLE AND THERE'S A RING THERE THAT SAYS ODESSA. I THINK
12 THEY'RE MAKING DEATH THREATS AGAINST ME BECAUSE I'M JEWISH.
13 I'M NOT SURE. HOW I'M GOING TO FIGHT WITH THIS ORGANIZATION, I
14 DON'T KNOW. THEY MURDERED NUMEROUS PEOPLE. THEY'VE REALLY
15 MURDERED PEOPLE. THEY DON'T JUST JOKE ABOUT IT. THEY HIT
16 PEOPLE WITH THEIR CARS. THEY REALLY INJURY PEOPLE. I DON'T
17 KNOW WHO I SHOULD TALK TO IN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. I'M GOING
18 TO HAVE TO, I THINK, GO WITH A POLITICIAN SO THAT SOMEONE LIKE
19 YOU COULD EXPLAIN TO THEM WHY THIS ORGANIZATION IS HARASSING
20 PEOPLE, WHY THESE PEOPLE CAN'T AT LEAST HAVE SOME KIND OF A
21 THING WHERE YOU GO TO COURT OR SOMETHING OR A RESTRAINING
22 ORDER OR SOMETHING.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE IT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHERE DO YOU RESIDE?

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3 **JIM LIEWER:** I LIVE IN CARSON.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHERE?

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7 **JIM LIEWER:** I LIVE IN CARSON.

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** CARSON. SEE, THAT'S SUPERVISOR BURKE?

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I DON'T THINK THERE'S ANYTHING
12 THAT WE CAN DO, ANYWAY, THAT SHE COULD DO. THIS IS SOMETHING
13 YOU NEED TO TALK TO, IF YOU WANT TO GET AN INJUNCTION, YOU
14 OUGHT TO TALK TO A LAWYER ABOUT IT OR TALK TO THE CARSON
15 POLICE.

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17 **JIM LIEWER:** THEY'LL SAY THE ORGANIZATION DOESN'T EXIST, THEY
18 NEVER HEARD OF IT. AND THEY'VE ALL GOT, I THINK MOST OF THEM
19 HAVE...

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT MAY BE THE TRUTH. I DON'T
22 KNOW BUT THANK YOU.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** TALK TO THE WATCH COMMANDER AT THE CARSON
25 POLICE DEPARTMENT. ASK FOR THE WATCH COMMANDER.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TELL THEM SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH
3 SENT YOU.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** YEAH. ADA BATTLIE? AND BEFORE YOU GO, MS.
6 BATTLIE, ONE SECOND. ETHELL JOHNSON, IS SHE HERE? AND PATRICIA
7 MULCAHEY, IS SHE STILL HERE? NOT HERE? OKAY. ALL RIGHT. MS.
8 BATTLIE?

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10 **ADA BATTLIE:** I KNOW THAT YOU HAD ALREADY SPOKE ON MARTIN
11 LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. I WAS A LITTLE LATE TODAY, HAVING TO SEE
12 THE DOCTOR. BUT WHAT I WANTED TO SAY ABOUT MARTIN LUTHER KING
13 HOSPITAL, IT'S IMPERATIVE THAT WE KEEP THAT HOSPITAL. PEOPLE
14 ON THE FREEWAY GET HURT. THEY CAN GO TO MARTIN LUTHER KING
15 HOSPITAL FOR ASSISTANCE. AND THE PEOPLE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD
16 NEED IT, ALSO. THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE THAT DO OR DID GO TO
17 MARTIN LUTHER KING, AND I THINK IT'S A DIRE NECESSITY FOR US
18 TO FIND A WAY TO KEEP THAT HOSPITAL OPEN. NOW, ANOTHER THING
19 WAS BROUGHT UP ABOUT THE CHANGE OF THE NAME. I THINK THAT
20 MARTIN LUTHER KING DESERVES AND IS A WELL-KNOWN PERSON AND I
21 THINK IT SHOULD STAY AS IS, MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL. SO
22 THESE ARE THE POINTS THAT I WANTED TO BRING OUT, THAT THE
23 PEOPLE IN THE COMMUNITY ARE-- REALLY NEED THAT HOSPITAL, AS
24 WELL AS THE PEOPLE WHO GET HARMED ON THOSE FREEWAYS THAT
25 SURROUND THE AREA. SO I HOPE YOU WOULD TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION



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1 THE MORE ABOUT WHAT'S HAPPENING TO MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL
2 BECAUSE WE DO NEED IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, MS. BATTLE. WALTER
5 BECKTEL?

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7 **WALTER BECKTEL:** YEAH, THANK YOU. I'M FOLLOWING UP ON THE
8 MESSAGE THAT I SENT TO MS. MOLINA A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO? I
9 DON'T KNOW IF YOU GUYS GOT A COPY OF THIS?

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DON'T KNOW. DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE
12 HOLDING UP.

13

14 **WALTER BECKTEL:** I SENT HER A CONSTITUENT ASSISTANCE REQUEST
15 FORM. I HAD A PROBLEM WITH A COUPLE OF SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES. I
16 WAS ATTACKED ON THE 18TH OF JULY AT ONE OF THE TRAIN STATIONS.
17 I WAS CONCERNED AS TO WHETHER OR NOT THE PROCEDURES HAD BEEN
18 DONE CORRECTLY AND THE INVESTIGATION ABOUT THAT WAS GOING TO
19 BE DONE CORRECTLY BECAUSE THE ENTIRE INCIDENT HAPPENED ON A
20 VIDEO. THE PERSON CAME DOWN THE STAIRS AND ATTACKED ME ON THE
21 PLATFORM OF THE TRAIN STATION AND HE KICKED ME, HE BEAT ME, HE
22 STEPPED ON MY-- KNOCKED MY GLASSES OFF, STEPPED ON MY GLASSES
23 AND HE TOOK HIS BELT OFF AND BEAT ME WITH A BELT, AND HE SAID
24 RACIAL THINGS TO ME, CALLING ME NAMES, ET CETERA. AND I TRIED
25 TO EXPLAIN TO THE OFFICERS WHAT WAS GOING ON AND THEY SAID,



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1 "WELL, THIS ISN'T ANYTHING BUT A MISDEMEANOR." I SAID, YOU
2 KNOW, "IT'S NOT A FELONY KIND OF A RACIAL THING?"

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU KNOW WHAT I'M GOING TO DO?
5 IF YOU GIVE ME A COPY OF YOUR EMAIL THERE, WHICH I THINK YOU
6 HAVE, I'LL MAKE SURE MS. MOLINA GETS IT TODAY.

7

8 **WALTER BECKTEL:** WELL MS. MOLINA GOT THIS BUT I DON'T THINK YOU
9 GOT A COPY OF THIS. I ONLY-- I GOT A COPY OF EVERYTHING I SAID
10 I WOULD BRING IN FOR EACH ONE OF THE SUPERVISORS.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY DON'T YOU HAVE THE SERGEANT--
13 SERGEANT, WILL YOU PICK UP WHAT WHAT HE'S GOT AND WE'LL MAKE
14 SURE SUPERVISOR MOLINA GETS IT.

15

16 **WALTER BECKTEL:** WELL, THIS IS FOR ALL THE...

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY, THAT'S FINE.

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20 **WALTER BECKTEL:** FOR ALL FIVE OF YOU GUYS.

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22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S FINE.

23

24 **WALTER BECKTEL:** BUT I'M GOING TO HAVE TO MAKE AN EXTRA COPY OF
25 THIS IF YOU DIDN'T GET IT. DO YOU GUYS WANT A COPY OF THIS?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE ALREADY GOT IT.

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4 **WALTER BECKTEL:** BECAUSE THIS IS DIFFERENT. OH, YOU GOT IT?

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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8 **WALTER BECKTEL:** YOU GOT THIS?

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WELL, THIS CONTAINS YOUR
11 COMPLAINT, RIGHT?

12

13 **WALTER BECKTEL:** THAT DOES NOT HAVE THIS IN IT, NO.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. WE'LL MAKE A COPY.
16 THANK YOU. MS. JOHNSON?

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18 **ETHELL JOHNSON:** GOOD MORNING TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF
19 SUPERVISORS. AS FAR AS MARTIN LUTHER KING HOSPITAL, I LIVE IN
20 THE AREA AND BEEN LIVING IN THE AREA FOR A LONG TIME BUT I
21 ALSO TRAVEL TO LONG BEACH AND CARSON AND DIFFERENT AREAS AND
22 THINGS LIKE THAT BUT I'M SORRY TO HEAR THAT THEY'RE TRYING TO
23 CLOSE IT DOWN AGAIN. URGENT CARE BUT I'M PRETTY CONFIDENT IT
24 WILL BE REOPENED. SOME THINGS THAT HAVE TO BE DONE AND WE HAVE
25 TO DO THEM AND THINGS THAT HAVE TO BE CHANGED AND WE HAVE TO



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1 CHANGE THEM. SO WHAT I'M HERE THIS MORNING FOR IS THAT I HAVE
2 A DISABLED PROBLEM AND I'M ALSO A MIRACLE AT MARTIN LUTHER
3 KING HOSPITAL. I HAD SURGERY AND I HAD BACK SURGERY. AND I
4 ALSO WORK WITH SPINAL CORD MEDICAL. I DID MY TRAINING AT ALL
5 THE COUNTY HOSPITAL FACILITIES. NOT JUST-- GEE, I'M STILL
6 COUNTY. BUT I ALSO AM ON THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF REDEVELOPMENT.
7 AND I'M JUST ASKING, IS THERE ANYTHING OR ANY FUNDING OR
8 ANYTHING THAT WE CAN DO TO HELP SURVIVE-- PEOPLE THAT HAVE
9 DISABILITIES AND PEOPLE THAT ARE IN CONVALESCENT HOSPITALS,
10 AND DIFFERENT THINGS THAT WE CAN DO AND BE VOLUNTEERS? I'M A
11 VETERAN. I WENT TO GET MY D.D. 214S AT WESTWOOD SO WE'RE KIND
12 OF FIGHTING FOR THAT. BUT I'M NOT GOING TO HOLD YOU UP BUT I
13 BELIEVE VERY SINCERELY, YAROSLAVSKY, KNABE, I'VE BEEN IN YOUR
14 AREA AND MICHAEL ANTONOVICH'S AREA WHICH IS COMING UP, YOU
15 KNOW, AND I APPRECIATE EVERY ONE OF YOU. BUT I ALSO WOULD LIKE
16 TO SELL SOME PROPERTY I HAVE IN YOUR AREAS. SEE, MY
17 GRANDFATHER AND PARENTS LEFT THINGS AND I DIDN'T KNOW ANYTHING
18 ABOUT IT. BUT I'M AT THE AGE NOW I DON'T WANT TO BE BOTHERED
19 WITH IT. SO IF THERE'S ANY HELP THAT YOU CAN GIVE ME OR DO FOR
20 ME, I REALLY APPRECIATE IT. I KNOW MR. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH'S
21 GOT MY LETTERS IN SAN DIMAS BUT I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO PICK
22 THEM UP. I'M JUST IN DISTRICT 2 AND THEN I GO TO LONG BEACH TO
23 GO TO THE LIBRARY TO KNABE'S AREA. BUT, IF YOU CAN HELP ME, I
24 APPRECIATE IT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHY DON'T YOU GO TO KATHERINE BARRINGERS,
2 RIGHT OVER THERE, AND TALK TO HER.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SHE'S REAL GOOD.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** ZEV'S FAVORITE.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
9 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
10 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER C.S.-1 AND
11 C.S.-2, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
12 LITIGATION. THANK YOU.

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14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEMS CS-3, CS-4 AND CS-5 THERE WAS NO
15 REPORTABLE ACTION TAKEN BY THE BOARD.

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